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# Clashes flare in territories

By JOEL GREENBERG and BRADLEY BURSTON
Jerusalem Post Reporters

Two people were killed and more than a dozen wounded yesterday in clashes between troops and rioters in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

A general strike was observed in the territories in response to calls in leaflet no. 15 of the "Unified National Leadership of the Uprising," which designated yesterday a "day of construction and planting the land." Shops were shuttered, fewer labourers went to work in Israel, and public transportation did not operate.

Two people were killed at the Jebalya refugee camp in Gaza, when troops opened fire on a surging crowd that attacked them with stones and other objects.

Hospital officials identified the fatalities as Jamal Mahmoud el-Madhoun, 20, and Rizik Hussein Abbah, 17.

According to Palestinian sources, a third man died of tear-gas inhalation. The IDF denied the report, saying that the gas used is not poisonous.

At least two Palestinians were wounded by IDF gunfire yesterday in the wake of violent unrest following the lifting of a one-day curfew in the southern Gaza refugee camp of Khan Yunis.

In the old city of Nablus a woman who tried to attack troops with a knife was shot with rubber bullets, beaten, and arrested, eyewitnesses and military sources said. The woman was identified as Huda Yusuf Sulaiman, 21, from the village of Talfit.

A woman from the West Bank village of Beita may be prosecuted for causing the death of Tirza Porat, the 15-year-old girl from Eilon Moreh who was killed at the village on April 6.

During an attack by villagers on a group of teenage hikers, the woman hurled a rock at their armed escort, Romam Aldubi. He was struck in the head and fired his rifle, accidentally hitting Porat.

The woman could alternatively be charged with attempted murder of Aldubi and aggravated assault. Aldubi was seriously wounded and remains in hospital.

Police recommendations for prosecution are to be submitted today to the chief military prosecutor in the Central Command. He will decide whether the woman is to be charged.

The woman, Munira Daoud, attacked Aldubi after he shot and killed her brother and wounded her husband during a clash with stone-throwers outside the village.

The police have also recommended that dozens of other Beita villagers be charged with rock-throwing, rioting and attacking the hikers.

The High Court of Justice has issued an injunction ordering OC Central Command Amram Mitzna to show cause within eight days why international phone links to the West Bank should not be restored. The injunction was issued in response to a petition by lawyers Muna Rishmawi and Jonathan Kuttab of the Ramallah-based human rights group, Al-Haq.

International phone links to the territories were cut nearly two months ago. Officials said the move was meant to stop contact with PLO officials abroad, though the measure was widely seen as part of a series of administrative measures taken to choke off the uprising in the territories.

In other incidents yesterday,

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# Army leaves Lebanon after destroying Hizbullah stronghold

## Three soldiers die in fierce fighting in Maidoun; 40 terrorists killed in battle

By KENNETH KAPLAN
Post Defence Reporter

SAFAD – Three Israeli soldiers were killed and 17 wounded in a fierce battle yesterday morning with Hizbullah gunmen in the South Lebanese village of Maidoun, only a few hours before the IDF wound up what defence sources called "a successsful two-tiered operation."

All the IDF units involved in the incursion had left Lebanon by last night, less than 48 hours after they went in.

The three soldiers, Seren Zion Mizrahi, Seren Boaz Ravid, and Samal Marco Bernstein, from a paratrooper unit that entered Lebanon on Tuesday night, were killed in the battle for Maidoun, a key Hizbullah stronghold 2.5 kilometres north of the security zone and 11 kilometres south of Lake Karoun. Over 40 Hizbullah gunmen were killed in the battle.

Yesterday's fighting marked the second and final stage of what the IDF is calling "Operation Law and Order." The first stage was Tuesday's search of the area around the security zone. The raid began on Monday night with the entry of several hundred troops into the area.

Heavy artillery shelling of Maidoun and other terrorist positions in the vicinity preceded the overrunning of the village.

Tanks and attack helicopters assisted the paratroopers in the assault, which took the gunmen by surprise. The village has served Hizbullah as a major centre for its activities against the South Lebanese Army, and as a launching point for several attempts to infiltrate through the security zone to the Israeli border.

Hizbullah had fortified the village with bunkers, trenches and other positions. The gunmen had three anti-aircraft pieces and a number of mortars at their disposal.

The battle began at first light. The soldiers, who had taken up positions on the outskirts of Maidoun after making their approach under cover of darkness, were met by fierce resistance from the gunmen, some of whom managed to reach their trenches. Other gunmen fought from inside the 60-70 homes in the village.

After the initial exchange of fire, in which two Israeli soldiers were killed, the IDF unleashed another artillery barrage at the centre of the village. A small tank force moved in with the advancing paratroopers as house after house was cleared. Attack helicopters also fired at the houses, and patrolled the area around the village.

North of Maidoun, the helicopters destroyed three artillery pieces belonging to the Lebanese Army and placed between the villages of Ein E-Tina and Masha'ura. IAF planes circled overhead, but senior military sources strongly denied reports from Lebanon about aerial bombing attacks.

The sources also flatly denied that there had been any contact with Syrian forces north of Maidoun. The sources said the Syrians, who had been on alert since the previous day, showed an interest in the IDF operation but took no action. (However, the Associated Press reported that Israeli forces shelled a 50-man Syrian Army garrison in Mashrara as they the stormed Maidoun. According to AP, there were no casualties among the Syrian soldiers, who did not return fire. But Reuters reported last night that one Syrian soldier was lightly wounded in the shelling of Mashrara.)

The third Israeli fatality occurred in the second phase of the attack on the village, which ended at 1:30 p.m. The IDF later blew up and bulldozed the Hizbullah's fortifications as well as those buildings that had been used as headquarters and homes for the gunmen.

The sources said Maidoun was the southernmost outpost of the Hizbullah in the Beka'a Valley. The bulk of the Hizbullah force is based in Baalbek, in Syrian-controlled terri-

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A helicopter flies over IDF forces somewhere in Lebanon during the search operation on Tuesday. (IDF)

International survey

# B-G Airport ranked one of the safest in the world

Post Aviation Reporter

**TEL AVIV – An international survey conducted among 28,000 passengers ranked Ben-Gurion Airport as one of the world's most secure airports, the International Foundation of Airline Passengers' Associations (Ifapa) said in a report released Tuesday in Geneva.**

**Tokyo, Frankfurt, London (Heathrow) and Zurich were also ranked among the most secure airports.**

**The results seemed to highlight the respect Israel has earned among security officials from around the world who have sought its advice on improving security in their own airports.**

**Speaking to The Jerusalem Post yesterday, the chairman of the Israel Airports Authority, Zvi Gov-Ari, said professional advice had been given – discreetly – to many countries. He declined to identify them but noted that they covered all continents.**

**Though details of Israel's security system have been kept under wraps, travellers are aware of the brief interviews conducted by security officials, the searches of luggage and the metal detectors that must be passed through before reaching the aircraft.**

**The passengers who participated in the survey said the most effective counter-terror measures were sanctions against states that support terrorists and efficient detection devices at airports.**

**Meanwhile, the European section of the International Civil Airports' Association confirmed its plan to hold its June 1989 conference in Jerusalem. The decision thus quashed recent French-inspired attempts to change the conference's venue because of the situation in the territories.**

# Amal and Hizbullah join together in village battle

By DAVID RUDGE
Jerusalem Post Reporter

ROSH HANIKRA – Amal and Hizbullah Shi'ites set aside their differences and joined forces to battle IDF troops in Maidoun yesterday, according to reports from Lebanon.

Some reports put the number of gunmen killed at over 40, the majority members of Hizbullah.

Amal, in an official statement issued in Beirut, announced that three of its militiamen had been killed and at least seven wounded.

The Islamic Resistance, the military arm of Hizbullah, said 10 of its men had been killed or wounded.

The statements said that after long and bitter fighting, IDF troops overcame the "defenders" and occupied the village.

Unifil spokesman Timur Goksel reported that over 1,000 artillery rounds were fired by IDF and South Lebanese Army batteries – most of them in the direction of Maidoun. He noted that there was also a great deal of helicopter activity in the region.

Radio Beirut reported that the Syrians had withdrawn some of their troops from Mashrara, a village near Maidoun, leaving only a symbolic force in their garrison there.

Meanwhile, the pro-Syrian National Resistance Movement claimed responsibility for firing Katyusha rockets around the Christian township of Marjayoun yesterday. Six rockets fell in the area, and one scored a direct hit on a Norwegian Unifil position. Goksel said the rocket crashed through the roof of the building, which was unoccupied at the time.

The Communist-led NRM said it had used new multi-barrelled rocket launchers capable of firing 40 Katyushas to hit IDF positions near Marjayoun and strongholds along the border of the zone.

In a statement from Beirut, the NRM said the attack was in response to the IDF's sweep of villages north of the zone.

Yesterday's attack on Maidoun was used as a propaganda ploy by

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# 'Operation achieved all of its aims' – Peled

By KENNETH KAPLAN
Post Defence Reporter

SAFAD – The elimination of the Hizbullah threat was worthwhile despite the losses to the IDF in the action, OC Northern Command Yossi Peled said last night.

Speaking to military reporters in his office, Peled said that the 48-hour incursion into Lebanon had achieved all of its aims. It served to deter terrorist activity in the area by clearing out terrorist positions and by warning villagers not to cooperate.

The operation, he said, also demonstrated the IDF's ability to act when and where it chooses and with whatever size force it wants. Peled explained that, despite the cost, the IDF must seize the initiative to achieve security in the north.

"When you go into battle you must expect to pay a price. I am sorry about every one of our losses. You can imagine what my ability is to deal with losses," said Peled, who is a Holocaust survivor.

"Part of achieving security, to my sorrow, is through uncompromising battle against threat. This battle involves military confrontations and battles that we initiate. War is not one-sided."

"I must tell you that, with all the sorrow in my heart, you sometimes have to take the initiative and attack because by *not* taking the initiative you may save some casualties for the moment, but in another few months the casualties will be immeasurably greater."

Peled rejected the suggestion that the IDF action was necessitated by weakness or failure on the part of Antoine Lahad's Southern Lebanese Army (SLA).

"First of all, the SLA took part in the operation," he said. "It carried out a number of searches in the villages of Mimess, Ain Aata and Ain Zeta. It uncovered weapons-caches and bunkers. They did their job.

"Parallel to the IDF activities," he said, "the SLA also carried out searches in the area of Shiba and Shuba, northwest of Har Dov. We don't think that the IDF is doing the SLA's job in this operation. There are things they can't do, and there are therefore operations which are IDF operations. The operations which the IDF engages in are those with a direct connection to the security of the north."

Peled reiterated that the IDF had no intention of getting involved with the Syrians.

## 'Veritable war' in Lebanon – Tass

**MOSCOW (AP) – "Israel's military drive into Southern Lebanon is nothing less than a veritable war" whose consequences could be critical for the world, the Tass news agency said yesterday in its first comment on the incursion.**

**The Soviet announcement came about half an hour before Israel announced that its forces had left Lebanon.**

**Jerusalem's claim that the targets of its campaign were terrorist groups responsible for recent raids into northern Israel were ridiculed by Tass, which said it might have seemed plausible initially, but "after 24 hours have passed, it has become clear that it is a veritable war."**

# Frenchmen held in Beirut freed by Islamic Jihad

PARIS – Three French hostages who have been held in Lebanon since 1985 were released yesterday and handed over to a French government emissary, French Interior Minister Charles Pasqua announced.

Journalist Jean-Paul Kauffmann, 43, and diplomats Marcel Carton, 64, and Marcel Fontaine, 45, had been held in Lebanon by the pro-Iranian Islamic Jihad. Pasqua said that the three were in a "safe place" after being handed over to his emissary, Jean-Charles Marchiani. Earlier, guards at the Summerland Hotel in Beirut reported seeing the hostages handed over to Syrian intelligence officials.

Marchiani, who was working under the alias Stefani, had been given carte blanche from the French government to win their release.

The dramatic announcement came only four days before the run-off in the French presidential election. Premier Jacques Chirac – one of the contenders for the presidency – interrupted an election speech at Strasbourg to break the news.

The release had been expected for several days, since France was reported to have agreed to pay Iran $670 million. That was the amount owed to Teheran on a billion-dollar loan made by the late Shah Mohammed Reza Pahlavi and frozen by the French government after the 1979 Islamic Revolution in Iran.

# Sofaer off to Cairo for response on Taba

By MENACHEM SHALEV

U.S. State Department legal adviser Abraham D. Sofaer flew to Cairo yesterday to hear Egypt's response to the decision made by the Prime Ministers' Forum yesterday. According to that decision Israel would like to make yet another effort to resolve the Taba dispute through a negotiated compromise.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin decided yesterday to seek a compromise solution for Taba and thus stave off the final phase of the arbitration process, which is expected to begin on May 10.

The three, however, did not relate to the specific compromise offered by Sofaer this week, by which Egypt would be granted sovereignty over Taba and ownership of the installations in the area, while Israel would be guaranteed certain management and access rights.

Shamir told his Likud colleagues yesterday that the Egyptians are wary of an unfavourable decision by the arbitrators, and are therefore likely to agree to an effort to achieve a compromise solution, which would be negotiated in direct talks.

The prime minister's assessment, however, is contested by informed sources in Jerusalem, who claim that Egypt will only agree to negotiate on the basis of the specific proposals presented by Sofaer. The Egyptians are certain of winning in the arbitration process, the sources said, and are likely either to reject Israel's decision outright or to ask for further Israeli clarifications.

Any interest which Egypt has in a compromise stems from its concern that Israel would drag its feet in implementing the arbitration decision and withdrawing from Taba, the sources said.

Sofaer's proposals are unacceptable to the Prime Minister and have elicited only lukewarm support from Peres and Rabin.

Sofaer is expected to return here at the end of the week with Egypt's reply, or to relay the Egyptian position from Cairo and return directly to the U.S..

In what was perceived as an expression of displeasure with Sofaer's mediation efforts, the Prime Minister's Office told Egyptian ambassador Mohammed Bassiouny of the Israeli decision, and proposed that Israel and Egypt negotiate directly on the matter.

An Egyptian request for a more concrete Israeli commitment to Sofaer's proposals will require another Israeli decision, which will most likely be taken in the inner cabinet. Should the two countries agree on the compromise effort, the arbitrators will be asked to postpone their verdict.

On the other hand, an outright Egyptian rejection of the Israeli position will result in the abandonment of the compromise effort. The Taba controversy will then be left to the arbitrators, who are empowered only to grant the entire area to one of the two countries.

# Shultz: Soviet Jews will be high on summit agenda

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON – The issue of Soviet Jewry will be high on President Reagan's agenda when he meets with Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev late this month in Moscow, Secretary of State Shultz has assured a delegation of American Jewish leaders.

"We are constantly trying to see what tactics we can employ that will be effective," Shultz said. "I think all of us are motivated only by one thing – how can we be effective in bringing about the results that we seek. That's all. That's enough."

The secretary spoke late Tuesday at the State Department before a visiting delegation from the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, chaired by Morris Abram.

He said the U.S. would never reduce its pressure on the Soviet Union to permit the free emigration of its Jews.

"We will never forget them," he said. "We will keep working on their problems forever. We'll never forget."

The secretary said that he and Reagan would continue to press the Soviets to accelerate the bureaucratic process resulting in emigration for those Jews seeking permission to leave. In addition, he said, the U.S. would urge the Soviets to drop their claims that some of the would-be emigrants possess "state secrets," and therefore cannot leave.

The U.S. is also pressing the Soviets to permit anyone to leave – not only those Jews who have close "first-degree" relatives in the West. This right was guaranteed, he said, in the Helsinki accords.

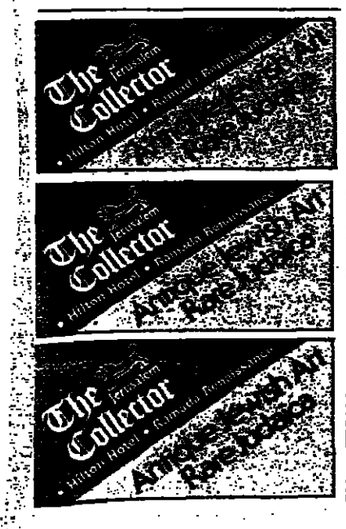
The secretary went on to reject the occasional ability of Soviet parents to veto the emigration of their grown children, some of whom are themselves parents.

Last year, Jewish emigration increased to between 700 and 900 per month, compared with some 100 a month the year before. This year, emigration has increased to about 1,000 per month.

Shultz, while welcoming those numbers, pointed out that they still represented only a small fraction of those Jews who would like to leave. "So we will keep at this," he said.

The secretary did not discuss the issue of the Soviet Jewish "drop-outs," those who leave with an Israeli-stamped visa but upon reaching Vienna decide to settle in the U.S. instead. Only about 25 per cent of recent Jewish emigrants have come to Israel.

But other U.S. officials said the U.S. – in contrast to Israel – still continues to strongly support the principle of "freedom of choice" for Jewish emigrants, meaning that they should be allowed to live in any country they want.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| BUENOS AIRES | 5 | 41 | 16 | 60 | Clear |
| CHICAGO | 7 | 45 | 21 | 70 | clear |
| COPENHAGEN | 9 | 48 | 16 | 61 | Cloudy |
| FRANKFURT | 10 | 50 | 18 | 64 | Cloudy |
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## THE WEATHER

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| Golan | 24 | 11–26 | 25 |
| Nahariya | – | – | – |
| Safad | – | – | 23 |
| Haifa Port | 13 | 15–22 | 23 |
| Tiberias | 28 | 12–31 | 30 |
| Nazareth | – | – | – |
| Afula | 54 | 11–24 | 25 |
| Shomron | 38 | 12–25 | 26 |
| Tel Aviv | 70 | 14–22 | 23 |
| B-G Airport | 45 | 11–24 | 25 |
| Jericho | 15 | 17–32 | 33 |
| Gaza | 73 | 16–21 | 23 |
| Beersheba | 44 | 13–25 | 26 |
| Eilat | 22 | 20–31 | 32 |

## SOCIAL & PERSONAL

President Chaim Herzog and his wife Aura yesterday hosted a luncheon at Beit Hanassi in honour of the just-retired deputy president of the Supreme Court, Miriam Ben-Porat. Also present were the other justices, including her replacement Menahem Elon, and retired members of the court, Haim Cohn, Shimon Agranat and Moshe Landau.

### Marriage

OKED-LOEWENKOPF Tali, daughter of Yitzhak and Ita Oked, and Haim, son of Yitzhak and Miriam Loewenkopf, celebrated their wedding yesterday at the Dolphiton Hall in Tel Aviv.

# British MPs denounce Israel

By DAVID HOROVITZ

LONDON – MPs seized on Israel's latest offensive into Lebanon as the pretext for a new series of condemnations at Foreign Office Question Time in the House of Commons yesterday.

The IDF operation was denounced from all sides of the House, with one of Israel's harshest critics, Dennis Walters, leading the charge. "Does Israel have some unique dispensation to invade and maraud its neighbours?" he asked, wondering whether this extended as well to the "slaughter" of Palestinians in the territories and the assassination of political opponents.

Walters's thinking was echoed by Clare Short, who made what is becoming an increasingly frequent call for economic sanctions against Israel, to alter the government's "immoral and terrorist behaviour."

Foreign Secretary Sir Geoffrey Howe and Minister of State David Mellor also took turns censuring the "provocative presence" in Lebanon.

Undeterred by the fact that Unifil is patently ineffective in deterring Palestinian infiltrators, Howe called for a complete Israeli withdrawal, and the deployment of the UN force to the international border.

Next up for a bashing was Israel's "lamentable" failure to honour its commitment to allow produce from the territories to reach the EC.

Mellor agreed that Israel was indeed flouting its agreements, but again doubted whether sanctions were the most effective means of pressing for a policy change.

Prime Minister Shamir's shortsighted policies, the minister summed up, were causing lasting damage to Israel's worldwide reputation, and, Mellor asserted, were also reducing the chances of Israel's youth "living a full life-span in peace."

Questioned about Britain's continued opposition to ministerial-level contacts with the PLO, Howe noted that lower-level contacts were maintained, and that the PLO had been told repeatedly what it needed to do if it wanted to gain greater acceptance – namely recognize Israel and renounce terrorism.

"How come you're still talking to Israel then?" came the retort shouted from the anonymous depths of the Labour back-benches.

## Offices ransacked, manager held hostage to protest receivership

# 'Workers' republic' at Alliance tyre

BY JEFF BLACK and JUDY MALTZ

Angry workers at the Alliance tyre factory yesterday ransacked management offices, holding managing-director Yinon Ezroni hostage for a short while, to protest the decision to call in a receiver for the company.

Ezroni eventually left the plant under police escort, but not before the workers had succeeded in deflating tyres on 40 company cars.

Alliance's shareholders decided on Tuesday to call in a receiver for the debt-ridden company, following the persistent refusal by workers to accept a management-proposed recovery programme. Over 85 per cent of Alliance's shares are held by the Koor company.

Problems started yesterday morning at the plant after Knesset Member Ya'acov Shamai, who heads the Likud faction in the Histadrut, met with the workers. The employees subsequently halted all production and would not allow any merchandise to leave the plant.

Management officials last night told *The Jerusalem Post* that they would not enter the plant so long as *it remained a* "workers' republic."

The workers, meanwhile, said they would refuse to cooperate with state receiver Amram Blum. "If a receiver comes," warned works committee spokesman David Itai, "he will find no workers when he enters the factory." Itai said that Histadrut officials had asked the workers to continue negotiations but they had responded that they *would not, unless "the threat of a* receiver is removed."

He said the works committee had not been officially informed of the shareholders' decision, but it was confident that "logic would eventually win out." Itai refused to say *whether further disruptive activities* were planned for today.

In response to yesterday's developments, the Koor spokeswoman said: "If the workers persist in refusing to allow the receiver to do his job of bringing about the recovery of the company, an assets-liquidator may eventually have to be appointed."

Defiant workers at the Alliance tyre factory. (Ossendryver)

# Hospital staff back off sanctions

By JUDY SIEGEL
Post Science and Health Reporter

The government hospital clerks and cleaning workers have decided *not to* apply sanctions today and probably tomorrow, pending their appeal to the National Labour Court over restraining orders issued them this week by the Jerusalem District Labour Court.

The union yesterday asked the lower court to reconsider its decision to issue restraining orders, since the heads of the works committee had not received invitations to appear (having been on holiday on May 1) and did not have a chance to present their side. But the district court reaffirmed its May 1 decision, and the union decided to appeal.

The clerks and cleaning workers had planned a "hit-and-run" strike that would close down the kitchens, the laundries or other facilities at all the state hospitals without prior warning. They are demanding the overtime pay for the time they worked to clean up after their 17-day strike nearly three months ago. But the Treasury maintains that some of these overtime bills are fictitious.

*Meanwhile*, Kupat Holim Clalit's hospital doctors continue their sanctions, allowing only emergency operations, no outpatient visits and no new admissions to psychiatric and rehabilitative hospitals. Specialists opened private outpatient clinics at the Palace Hotel in north Tel Aviv, and received about 50 patients who paid NIS 45 each for the privilege. Health fund management says it won't reimburse them. (See story page 4.)

The anesthetists, who declared a labour dispute last autumn, yesterday suspended their sanctions because negotiations with the Treasury will resume on Tuesday. But *they warned that unless "significant* progress" is made in these talks, they will resume their sanctions.

The government hospital doctors, too, have suspended sanctions because of negotiations to be held at the Treasury next week, and they have issued the same warnings of "progress or strike."

Meanwhile, former Black Panther Sa'adia Marciano said he is organizing a demonstration outside the Prime Minister's Office on Sunday morning by residents of disadvantaged neighbourhoods in Jerusalem. The protest, which will include the use of stretchers, is to highlight dissatisfaction with the hospital disruptions and their toll on the poor, who can't afford to pay doctors privately.

# Lawyer says police seized clients' files

By ANDY COURT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

*One of the lawyers representing* the detained editors of the left-wing publication *Derech Hanitzotz* has charged that police and General Security Service (Shin Bet) agents read and seized material from his files on his clients.

Abed el-Assaly said that police and Shin Bet agents came to his house on Tuesday evening with a court order to search his home, car, and office. The investigators located his files on the *Derech Hanitzotz* editors and read the material inside, he said.

They took with them material printed before authorities closed down the paper on February 18 on *suspicion that it was linked to* Nayef Hawatmeh's Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine (DFLP), the lawyer charged.

In Petah Tikva, meanwhile, detained editor Michal Schwartz met with her lawyers after the State Attorney told the High Court of Justice that he would not extend the seven-day ban on such a meeting. The order expired yesterday. As a result, the Association for Civil Rights in Israel (Acri) withdrew its petition to the High Court filed on Schwartz's behalf.

Both the Evidence Ordinance and the Bar Association Law protect materials relating to communications between lawyer and client, considering this "privileged" information. *Only in rare cases is this* privilege waived – usually when the lawyer himself is under investigation, according to Yosef Richter, chairman of the Jerusalem district committee of the Bar Association.

A lawyer from the association was *present during the search of Assaly's* house and office, in keeping with the Attorney-General's guidelines. The association itself has taken no position on the matter because it is still under investigation, Richter said.

# Religious parties pulling apart

By DAN PETREANU
For The Jerusalem Post

**Internal strife may split the religious camp into as many as six parties in the elections for the next Knesset.**

**Following the decision by Religious Affairs Minister Zevulun Hammer to remain with the National Religious Party despite its right-wing lurch, two efforts are under-way to create a religious party left of the NRP. In addition, former Shas member Ya'acov Cohen is forming *a list that will challenge Shas in the Sephardi Haredi* sector.**

**Shas leaders Rabbi Shach and Sephardic Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef are currently determining the composition of the Shas list. According to informed sources the rabbis have decided to replace Ya'acov Yosef, the Chief Rabbi's son, with another son, David Yosef, in the third spot on *the list. Rafael Pinhasi, say the sources, has been pushed* to the sixth spot by the inclusion of a Yemenite in the fourth spot and an Ashkenazi, probably Rabbi Moshe Ya'acovson of Be'er Ya'acov, in the fifth spot.**

**Party leaders Yitzhak Peretz and Arieh Der'i will probably occupy the top spots.**

**In reaction to the rumours, Ya'acov Yosef and Rafael Pinhasi have threatened to defect to Ya'acov Cohen's alternate list. The sources also claim that Cohen's list has the support of Rabbi Baruch Abuhatzeira, son of the late Baba Sali. Political observers believe this list may rob Shas of two seats.**

**The NRP faces challenges from Labour MK Menahem Hacohen, who is pushing for the creation of a dovish religious list, and a centrist religious party being formed by Rabbi Amital of the Allon Shvut Hesder Yeshiva.**

**"We would like to see only one new list competing with *the NRP, and are trying to coordinate as much as possible* with Rabbi Amital," said Hacohen yesterday. "However, if Amital forms a party including people who are unacceptable to some of the more left-wing religious groups, such as the Netivot Shalom group, there may be further splits."**

**Amital refused to give details on how much progress has been made in the efforts to create a new party. "We have formed a committee which will present the situation more clearly in about two weeks," he said.**

**"Obviously there are many within the NRP who have a problem with the new [more right-wing] direction the party is taking, and are examining alternatives," said former MK Yehuda Ben-Meir, who last month won the seventh spot on the NRP list. Ben-Meir has met with Amital's group, but has not yet decided whether to join it and quit the NRP.**

**"I have called on all those who speak of leaving the party to come back home," *said Sara Stern-Katan, head* of the women's faction of the NRP and a former MK for the party. She believes the differences between the various factions in the NRP are a matter of nuance only. "Everyone is united behind the Greater Israel message, but some emphasize it more than others. We should learn to distinguish between major and minor issues."**

**Because Israel's *electoral system has a threshhold of* one per cent (meaning that votes cast for a party that receives less than one per cent of the national vote are lost), the multiplicity of parties may result in a net loss for the religious camp in November.**

# NIS 350m. for aged remains frozen

By ASHER WALLFISH
Post Knesset Correspondent

The country's aged have yet to benefit from over NIS 350 million in accumulated revenues for their health care under the new law for geriatric insurance services, it emerged at yesterday's meeting of the Labour and Social Affairs Committee.

The National Insurance Institute, which is in charge of these revenues and is responsible for approving the services for the aged at institutions and at home, has worked out an arrangement with the Histadrut health fund, Kupat Holim Clalit, but is still quarrelling with the Health Ministry. This bureaucratic *stand-off has kept the NIS 350m.* frozen.

The Health Ministry director-general, Prof. Yoram Lass, warned that half of the 2,000 old people now being cared for by the Health Ministry will be left out under the criteria laid down by the NII.

Lass said that 1,600 applications for home geriatric care were currently being processed. He expected 20,000 applications to be filed within the first 12 months of the new law's operation.

# Settlers mark Beita tragedy

Jerusalem Post Staff

West Bank settlers and supporters will today mark Lag ba'Omer with a six-kilometre hike to commemorate last month's attack on Eilon Moreh teenagers near Beita.

Hikers are expected to follow the same route taken by the Eilon Moreh group on April 6, when 15-year-old Tirza Porat was killed. Two Palestinians were *killed* in the same incident.

A less rigorous six-kilometre route will be taken by mothers and children, settler sources said.

The hike, which is to set out from the Tapuah junction at 11 a.m., is to *end in a rally near Tel Haim* at about 4 p.m.

Meanwhile, some 200,000 visitors, including Religious Affairs Minister Zevulun Hammer, are expected today at Mt. Meron. Police have closed off the streets and are *directing incoming* cars to nearby villages for parking.

In a tradition dating back some 155 years, Lag ba'Omer festivities began last night with a march with Tora scrolls, from the home of the Abu family in Old City of Safad to Mt. Meron.

Thousands of children are expected to participate in some 600 marches to be organized throughout the country by the Habad Lubavitch movement.

Hikes and archeological tours of significant sites relating to the Bar Kochba revolt will be held between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Members of the ultra-Orthodox community burned an Israeli flag in a Lag ba'Omer bonfire in downtown Jerusalem, the police spokesman reported last night.

The incident took place on Rehov Shomron in the Msilat Yesharim neighbourhood, west of the Hamashbir department store on King George Street. Police used a small amount of tear gas to disperse the crowd which had gathered, according to spokesman Rafi Levy.

No arrests were reported.

# Vaccinations needed for *haj* travel

By JUDY SIEGEL
Post Science and Health Reporter

All Arabs who intend to go on the *haj* pilgrimage to Mecca after the month of Ramadan must first get anti-meningitis injections or the Saudis will not allow them in.

The *World Health Organization* has informed Israel of Saudi Arabia's new regulations, which require a vaccination certificate for entry into the country. The reason given was an epidemic of the disease.

Some 5,000 Arabs in Israel and the territories are expected to make the *haj* this year, one of the largest delegations in the Arab world. Anyone planning to take part should go to the nearest Health Ministry office to receive the injection.

The disease involves the swelling or infection of the membranes covering the brain and spinal cord. It can be caused by bacteria, viruses, yeasts or fungi. In some forms it can be fatal and in others serious side effects can result.

# Police, *intifada* can't faze news vendor

By ANDY COURT

Sixty-year-old Amir Dana was one of the few East Jerusalem merchants who opened for business during yesterday's complete commercial strike – that is, until some policemen reportedly told him to close.

In the theatre of the absurd that has become East Jerusalem's commercial life, Dana's was a particularly bizarre story. The patriarch of a *respected East Jerusalem family*, Dana is the largest – some say, the only – distributor of newspapers and magazines throughout East Jerusalem. He handles everything from *Ma'ariv* to *Al-Fajr*, including the foreign papers and *The Jerusalem Post*. The papers that daily cross the Jordan River for a close reading in Jordan pass through his hands first.

"I've been in business for 40 years," Dana told *The Post*. "Strike or no strike, I'm open all day."

The young enforcers of the *intifada* (uprising) have so far left Dana alone. Newspaper vendors, like bakeries and drug stores, have been viewed as essential services and are exempt from the commercial strike, apparently because they distribute the latest news of the uprising.

At about 8 a.m. yesterday, five uniformed police officers approached Dana's *store on Nablus* Road, across from the Damascus Gate, and told him to close, Dana said yesterday.

"They told me, 'Close. Get out of here. Go,'" he said. The policemen produced no written order, he said. When Dana tried to argue, he was told to shut up.

The Jerusalem police spokesman could not be reached for comment yesterday. *One of his aides*, however, said that the incident was "not significant," since the merchant had apparently misunderstood the policemen's remarks.

## U.S. presses Israel to re-open *al-Awdah*

WASHINGTON (AP) – The United States yesterday called on Israel to reconsider its decision to shut down the Palestinian weekly *al-Awdah*.

"We strongly oppose suppression of freedom of the press anywhere," said State Department spokesman Charles Redman. Palestinian publications "play an important role in *expressing Palestinian* views and providing information," he added.

"We are concerned over the government's decision in this case to close *al-Awdah* and we have urged reconsideration of that," Redman said.

## Classes resume in technical schools

BY LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV – Classes in technical high schools will be conducted normally today, tomorrow and Sunday after yesterday's two-hour protest strike by members of the Histadrut Teachers Union.

The teachers, who were protesting against the Education Ministry's refusal to delay implementation of *its technical education reform programme*, will meet on Sunday with labour relations mediator Nahman Ori. The teachers object to the proposed reduction of practical shop work in favour of theory.

Dov Ronen, head of the high school teachers' department in the union, said the strike was widely supported by teachers in the field. He added that there would also be talks with Education Ministry officials today and that he hoped they would prevent the necessity of taking more serious strike action after Sunday.

Asked if future strike action could affect matriculation exams, he said the union's policy in the past had been to try to avoid affecting matriculation but that union leaders will decide if and when the issue becomes relevant.

SURGEONS can cut away less surrounding tissue than previously thought when removing a melanoma, according to *The New England Journal of Medicine*.

# U.S. rabbi attacked in Communist Party organ

BERLIN (AP) – The president of East Germany's Jewish federation has accused East Berlin's American rabbi of slander for criticism he levelled against the country's Jewish leaders, the Communist Party newspaper reported here yesterday.

Rabbi Isaac Neumann, who on Sunday said he would be leaving his *post on May 16 after only eight* months on the job, declined to comment on the charges.

"I may have something to say when I'm back in the United States," he said.

Neumann added that he may return to East Berlin briefly in September, but does not plan to stay on in his job after the end of the year.

In a commentary printed in *Neues Deutschland*, Jewish Federation leader Siegmund Rotstein said comments by Neumann that Jewish leaders had thwarted his activities were "slanders and distortions of the worst sort."

Rotstein, in the article, also accused Neumann of incompetence, saying the rabbi had "failed in his intellectual and spiritual mission."

Neumann said on Sunday that he was returning to the U.S., possibly for good, because he had been hindered in his tasks by Jewish leaders *in the community*.

Neumann said he was also disturbed by anti-Semitic tendencies in East Germany.

A Chicago rabbi, Ernst M. Lorge, has said he is willing to serve the East German Jewish community on a short-term basis.

Lorge, who was born in Mainz, Germany and emigrated to the U.S. in 1936, said he had not yet received an official invitation to come to East Germany.

The community has fewer than 350 officially registered members and about 100 people "on the fringes." However, some say there are as many as 2,500 other Jews in East Germany who are non-practising.

## Chess results

By YITZHAK LISS

In the national chess championships, a surprise win by Vladimir Liberson over Gad Richlis yesterday almost jeopardized the latter's chances of winning the championship. Richlis, who had the superior position in an adjourned game, failed to notice that his time was running out after six hours and was unable to make his 80th move.

In the ninth round last night, however, Richlis recovered to beat Amatsia Avni. The win put him back *in first place with 7 points* (9 games) followed by Manor with 6½ points (8 games). Liberson has 5½ points after eight games.

Manor will play against Birenboim today.

In other games yesterday: Manor beat Veiniger, *Birenboim* beat Peretz, Kna'an beat Liss; and the games between Liberson and Lahav, and Bruck and Alyosef, ended in draws.

In the women's championships, Olga Podrazhanskaya has a narrow lead of half a point over Loba Kris*tol* (5 points). Third is Miriam Weiss with 4½ points.

# CLASHES

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troops shot and wounded three youths at Silwad near Ramallah in a clash at with stone-throwing demonstrators. Palestinian sources said the youths barricaded streets, burned tyres and raised Palestinian flags.

*Villagers at Kafr Salim* near Nablus clashed with troops who raided the village for the fifth time in a week, Palestinian sources said. Troops entered the village after residents blocked roads with rocks. One villager was shot in the leg, and two *others* were *injured* by rubber bullets, the sources said.

Heavy clashes were reported at Kafr a-Dik between villagers and troops when soldiers entered the village. Clashes were also reported last night at Artas near Bethlehem.

In Hebron, a minibus that arrived to pick up workers was set on fire.

In the southern Gaza refugee camp of Khan Yunis, at least two Palestinians were wounded by IDF gunfire in the wake of violent unrest following the lifting of a one-day curfew.

According to military sources, troops entered the camp to disperse a crowd of stone-throwing youths that had erected several smouldering barricades within the camp.

Finding themselves trapped by the massive crowd, the soldiers opened fire, *wounding at least two* demonstrators.

The general strike that began early Tuesday continued throughout the Gaza Strip yesterday, and few of the region's 60,000 workers employed in Israel attempted to travel on Gaza roads.

In the early morning, IDF authorities lifted curfews on the Khan Yunis, Shatti, Nusseirat, and Rafiah refugee camps where demonstrators had hurled rocks and flaming objects on workers' vehicles on Tuesday morning.

But unrest erupted again almost immediately in some areas, fanned by a rumour that a demonstrator shot earlier in the week had died.


With great sorrow,
we announce the passing of our beloved

**BENJAMIN LIBERMAN**

*The funeral will take place today, Thursday, May 5, 1988,*
at Ramat Hasharon New Cemetery, Morasha Junction.

**Zahava Liberman**
**Uri and Brigitte Liberman**
**Maxim and Anat Liberman**
**Ruth and Itzhak "Geva" Barkan**
**Leon and Maria Liberman**
**Grandsons, great-grandsons and family**

*With deepest sorrow, we announce the passing of our beloved*
wife, sister, mother and grandmother

**ROSE TABORY ז"ל**

Husband: **Rabbi Zevi Tabory**
Brothers: ***Herman and Abe Jorban***
Sisters: **Ruby Rashbaum**
**Gertrude Burdoo**
Sons: ***Joseph, Binyamin, Ephraim***
Daughter: **Judy Himelstein**
Shiva at the Himelstein residence, 45 Arzei Habira, Jerusalem.

General Israel Orphans Home for Girls
offers sincere condolences to **Mrs. Ruth Miller**
the secretary of our public relations department
and to her esteemed family on the death of her father,
a very dear man

**Reb EPHRAIM LEIB MELAMED ז"ל**

May you be free of all further sorrows.
המקום ינחם אתכם בתוך שאר אבלי ציון וירושלים.

# 'Progress' seen in Angola talks

LONDON (AFP) – South Africa, Angola, Cuba and the United States made progress at talks here aimed at ending the conflict in Angola, and are to hold a follow-up meeting in Africa soon, a joint communique issued here said at the close of the meeting yesterday. The brief statement came after an unprecedented two days of quadripartite talks.

"A follow-up meeting should take place at an African venue in the near future," the statement said. It added that the talks had taken place in a constructive atmosphere, and progress was made."

The only other information given by the communique which wound up the talks at London's Durrant Hotel was a list of delegates to the meeting, saying that a joint Angolan-Cuban delegation had been headed by Angolan Foreign Minister Afonso van Dunem. At a final photo-call for the heads of delegation, Van Dunem was flanked by U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs Chester Crocker, Cuban senior party official Jorge Risquet Valde, and South African foreign affairs official Neil van Heerden.

A substantial military contingent attended the talks, with the Angolan and South African chiefs of staff and a Cuban general also present.

A member of the South African delegation struck a cautious note after the talks, warning that "a great deal more will have to be done before we can even speculate on how real the chances of a settlement are." But he said the meeting was "constructive and made progress towards establishing that." He said the atmosphere at the talks was "very good" and had brought out "common interests and a deep genuine desire for peace in the region" (of southern Africa).

He noted that the fact of "getting together and learning directly from each other was in itself real progress." However, he said there had been "various points of view" on the crucial issue of the withdrawal of Cuban troops from Angola, which Pretoria is setting as a prior condition for according independence to Namibia.

Another delegate noted that the underlying differences between the parties involved remained unresolved and that none of the delegations had altered their basic positions.

But there was agreement after the talks on the "cordial" tone of the discussions, and observers said that continued bilateral contacts – particularly between Angola and the United States – could be envisaged.

# Gdansk shipyard under close police watch

Striking workers occupying the Lenin shipyard in Gdansk flash a victory sign through the main gate, festooned with Solidarity banners, flowers and pictures of the Virgin Mary. (Reuter)

GDANSK (Reuter) – Police in Gdansk flung a cordon round the strikebound Lenin shipyard for the second day after lifting it during the night, but there was no indication that authorities planned to use force against the strikers.

The Solidarity-led sit-in strike for higher pay and reinstatement of the outlawed free trade union entered its third day.

Heavy contingents of police who swamped surrounding streets of the northern Polish port on Tuesday, sealing off the strikebound shipyard, disappeared before dawn yesterday but returned later in the day.

They withdrew after the Politburo of the ruling Communist Party in Warsaw said it understood the concerns of citizens and favoured resolving labour problems in co-ordination with the workers.

However, the Politburo said resolution of problems must be accompanied by realism and a feeling of responsibility for the country's future.

It said it would resolutely oppose the threat of economic destabilisation as well as violations of social peace, legal order and discipline.

Opposition sources said a church peace bid on Tuesday originated with Cardinal Franciszek Macharski, Archbishop of Krakow. Three lay emissaries were sent to the Gdansk strikers and two to Krakow.

They went after the government, in talks with church representatives, approved the intervention of Catholic intellectuals to help resolve the conflict, the sources said.

"We are here with authorisation from the episcopate," Tadeusz Mazowiecki, a prominent member of the influential Catholic Intellectuals Club (KIK), told reporters as he arrived in Gdansk.

Mazowiecki immediately met Solidarity leader Lech Walesa at the shipyard and told him: "Lech, you wanted Warsaw to draw closer to Gdansk. Well, here we are."

Mazowiecki, a prominent Solidarity adviser during Poland's 1980 upheaval, was accompanied by Andrzej Wielowiejski, who is secretary of the Warsaw branch of KIK and known to have contacts with Stanislaw Ciosek, a secretary of the Communist Party Central Committee.

### Expelled Iranians complain of mistreatment

# Teheran nabs Saudi spy

NICOSIA (AP) – Iran announced Wednesday a Saudi Arabian spy has been arrested in Teheran as Iranian diplomats expelled from the kingdom arrived home and accused the Saudis of beating them and taking documents from their offices.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency, monitored in Nicosia, said security officials have "arrested an agent of the Riyadh regime who had entered the country illegally with 300 million rials (4.5 million dollars)."

It quoted an Information Ministry official as saying the man, whose name was not disclosed, was planning to "spread Wahabi faith and the American brand of Islam." The Wahabis are an ultra-conservative community of the Sunni Moslem sect.

The Iranian agency did not say when the man was arrested, but said "intelligence reports have confirmed the close links among Wahabi grouplets inside the country (Iran), the Hijaz regime (Saudi Arabia) and American agents." It said the man arrested "will be dealt with as a spy." Convicted spies may be sentenced to death under Islamic law.

Saudi Arabia dubbed as "totally baseless" the claims that the Iranian diplomats were beaten and that documents were taken from the embassy in Riyadh and the consulate in Jeddah.

On Tuesday, Teheran Radio quoted foreign ministry officials as saying Iranian staff were taken out of the diplomatic installations in an "inhuman manner" and said Saudi police "barbarically attacked the Iranian consulate in Jeddah." Tuesday was the deadline for Iranian diplomatic personnel to leave the country after Saudi Arabia broke relations April 26 and gave the Iranian diplomats a week to leave the country.

# British defuse car bomb on army base in W. Germany

BIELEFELD (Reuter) – British forces in West Germany have safely detonated a car bomb on an army base, hours after police reported a lead in a hunt for Irish guerrillas who killed three British servicemen in the Netherlands.

No one has claimed responsibility for the bomb, planted in a civilian car bearing British army number plates on Tuesday at a base housing some 4,000 British soldiers and their families at Bielefeld, northeast of the Ruhr industrial region.

The Irish Republican Army (IRA), which is fighting to end British rule in Northern Ireland, said it carried out last Sunday's two attacks in the Netherlands on off-duty British servicemen based in West Germany. British Army of the Rhine spokesman Lieutenant-Colonel Rob Stewart said a soldier had spotted the device, which bomb experts detonated by two controlled explosions.

Earlier, West Germany's paramilitary border police said they were following a definite lead for the IRA guerrillas, who killed three British servicemen and wounded three others in the Netherlands. One of the servicemen, Senior Aircraftsman Ifan Lewis, 19, had his left foot amputated on Monday.

Dutch Justice Minister Frederik Korthals-Altes said he thought the killers may have escaped into West Germany after Sunday's gun and bomb attacks.

## FOREIGN BRIEFS

**THE MOTHER** of Ferdinand Marcos died Wednesday, but President Corazon Aquino refused to allow the deposed ruler to return to the Philippines for the funeral. Aquino said Marcos remains a threat to national security. Josefa Edralin-Marcos, 95, suffered cardiac arrest at noon and was pronounced dead 20 minutes later.

**A BRAZILIAN NUN** was arrested in Sao Paulo after stealing two embroidered lace panties and some silverware she intended to send to her poor sister. At the police station Catharina Ribeiro dos Santos, 49, confessed her crime, but pleaded poverty. In tears, she told reporters she was "more humiliated than Christ on the cross."

**SIXTEEN-MONTH-OLD** black Siamese twins born joined at the back of the the head were separated on Tuesday in a seven-and-a-half-hour operation at Soweto's Baragwanath hospital. Professor Robert Lipschitz, the surgeon leading the operation, had given his team a 50-50 chance of separating the little girls, Mpho and Mphonyana Mathibela.

**ROYAL BENGAL TIGERS** have killed at least 50 woodcutters and fishermen in a Bangladesh forest in the past four months, government officials said on yesterday. Forest rangers told reporters that only 15 tigers were known to be maneaters. The animals have killed nearly 100 people since 1986.

**SUSPECTED COMMUNIST REBELS** killed a television technician and six members of an anti-insurgent vigilante group in two separate attacks near Cebu City in the Philippines, police said yesterday. They said the technician may have been mistaken by the rebels for a locally prominent anti-Communist vigilante. The other victims were former members of the rebel New Peoples Army who defected to the vigilantes.

**AN ESTIMATED** 200 rebel Indians backed by the United States surrendered their weapons and agreed to join the Sandinistas, the government newspaper *El Nuevo Diario* said. The Indians, like other rebel groups operating from Honduras and Costa Rica, have fought the leftist Sandinista government since 1981.

**TEN DAYS OF ANDY WARHOLMANIA** ended on Tuesday when Sotheby's auction house brought down the last gavel on its sale of the late artist's personal collection. The grand total: 25.3 million dollars. The sale, which featured more than 10,000 items owned by Warhol, attracted an estimated 60,000 people to the Sotheby galleries and set tongues wagging and jaws dropping throughout the art world.

**PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN** said Tuesday that informal quotas aimed at excluding some people of Asian or Pacific descent from U.S. colleges or universities would not be tolerated. He was speaking at a signing ceremony for a proclamation designating the week beginning May 8 as Asian-Pacific Heritage Week.

**A PEKING MAN** who went to get cash from his bank account was told he would have to wait until others made a deposit because the bank was out of money. An economic daily on Wednesday printed a letter from the angry customer describing his long wait at the bank. He said another customer who needed money to pay for one of his family to go to hospital also had to go without cash.

**SWAYED BY A COMPLAINT** from Prince Charles, city authorities said Wednesday they have withheld permission to build a nine-story apartment block overlooking the Kensington Palace residence of the heir to the throne. The planning committee for the London borough of Kensington and Chelsea said it deferred its decision after objections "from a very eminent neighbour" arrived less than three hours before the committee met Tuesday.

**BRITISH SINGER** Paul McCartney has signed a contract to release a new record album exclusively in the Soviet Union this autumn, the newspaper *Komsomolskaya Pravda* has reported. The former Beatle said the album was a gift to his Soviet fans, because "I knew that my records were a hit in the Soviet Union."

# Dukakis confident with two more primary wins; Jackson still fighting

WASHINGTON (AP) – Michael Dukakis, harvesting another pair of landslide primary victories Tuesday, sounded ever more confident of his claim to the Democratic presidential nomination.

Jesse Jackson scored an expected victory in Washington, but found himself slipping another 120 delegates behind Dukakis, who won handily in the central states of Ohio and Indiana.

His latest victories moved Dukakis to fewer than 680 delegates from the 2,081 he needs to clinch the party's nomination. He also moved more than 600 ahead of his sole rival.

But Jackson gave no sign he was ready to give up. "All the way to California and New Jersey," he said, referring to the two biggest states holding primaries on June 7, the end of the primary season.

Jackson was seeking support yesterday among congressional Democrats and holding strategy sessions with aides before flying off to Nebraska, which holds its primary next Tuesday, as does West Virginia.

Riding high after a streak of primary victories in northeastern and north-central states, Dukakis said Tuesday he thought it was "going to be difficult" for Jackson to deny him the nomination.

Vice President George Bush celebrated his lock on the Republican nomination at a hotel within walking distance of the White House and urged his supporters not to let up. Bush looked ahead to the fall and cautioned his supporters, "We've got a long way to go."

# Striking doctors claim clinic a success

By ANDY GOLDBERG

TEL AVIV – Only 52 people turned up at the independent out-patient clinic opened yesterday by striking Kupat Holim doctors. The clinic is the latest twist in the doctors' struggle with the Treasury over overtime bonuses.

The ad-hoc clinic, which occupies several rooms on the fourth floor of the Palace Hotel here, provides treatment in eight medical specialties. Between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., cardiologists, general and internal surgeons, pediatricians and gynecologists are on duty, while urologists, orthopedic surgeons, ear-nose-and-throat and eye specialists are available betweeen 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Appointments can be made by phone and the charge is NIS 45 per visit. Kupat Holim, which has opposed the independent action of the doctors, says it will not refund the money. The doctors, who come from different hospitals in the Tel Aviv area, are paid NIS 25 per patient.

Despite the small turnout yesterday, the organizers claimed that the scheme was a success. "We expected about 20 patients to come, so 52 is great," one doctor said. He added that as word of the clinic spread the number of patients was expected to grow.

The clinic had a few teething problems on its opening day. Several doctors arrived late and patients had to wait their turn in the hotel corridor and an impromptu waiting room. "This place has the same problems as the hospitals," one woman complained. "My appointment was for 2:45 p.m., and it's now 3:20 p.m. and the doctor still hasn't arrived."

However, after seeing the doctor a few minutes later she had nothing but praise. "Maybe I had to wait half an hour, but at the Kupat Holim it would have taken me three months to get an appointment," she said.

The doctors have rented the hotel rooms for a month. With no end to the dispute in sight, they are considering extending the lease.

"We are hoping to open clinics in Petah Tikva, Rehovot and other areas so that access will be easier, and we are also considering a similar scheme for performing non-emergency operations," one of the organizers, Dr. Giora Tykochinsky told *The Jerusalem Post*. "By offering patients better alternatives to the hospitals we will be able to implement wider sanctions while giving patients better care," he added.

# Gur: 'The issue is peace and security'

IN PERSON

BENNY MORRIS

Mordechai Gur. (Harrari)

"There is no doubt that the central issue in the elections will be peace and security, with the emphasis on security," says Labour minister and former chief of general staff Mordechai Gur.

Gur views the recent enrolment of Aluf (res.) Avigdor Ben-Gal and Aluf (res.) Ori Orr in the Labour Party in terms of November's elections.

"The Likud's anticipated main line of attack on Labour will be that it is ignoring Israel's security needs in its readiness to make concessions for peace. Against this backdrop, if two respected former generals support Labour's stand as ensuring Israel's long-term security, they will certainly strengthen the party's election campaign."

But Gur realizes that the addition of new generals to Labour's ranks – already crowded with renowned retired commanders – will not necessarily tip the scales.

"The reason is simple. The Likud's votes rest on the Jews' fear of the Arabs. They do not believe in agreements with the Arabs because they do not believe the Arabs will honour them. So one must keep away from agreements and from the concessions that are a necessary price in reaching them. And here lies Labour's difficulty. It has to try to project a logical security posture, logical arguments, as against the Likud's playing on people's emotions and basic fears."

Why is it that so few retired generals support the Likud?

"Look, firstly, the military profession generally teaches one to assess situations realistically. Leave aside the officers' political views. Senior IDF officers are trained to analyse all possibilities. Emotions play less, far less, of a role in their analyses and conclusions. Secondly, the officers, for much of the time, are in conflict with the Arabs, in wars, and in analysing the way the enemy acts and thinks. They are well aware of the uses of force and at the same time understand its limits. They know they always have to find the right balance.... They know that force alone cannot solve political problems."

Gur links this week's raid in Southern Lebanon to the uprising in the territories. "This will remind the inhabitants of the territories that the IDF is not disintegrating, that it doesn't run away from stone-throwers out of fear. The IDF, it was demonstrated, can both contain [the disturbances] and attack in Lebanon...The army hasn't lost its power."

Gur declines to speculate on the results of the voting. But he predicts "tumultuous elections," *behirot hamot*, if the uprising continues up to voting day. "The uprising sparks emotional responses. These emotions will come to the fore if it accompanies the election campaign."

Gur is gloomy at the prospect. Emotional voting, he feels, will clearly help the Likud.

# Prospects dim, Mapam seeks election alliance

By JONATHAN KARP
For The Jerusalem Post

TEL AVIV – Mapam leaders are keeping up their contacts with other parties, including Labour, in pursuit of a pre-election alliance, party officials said yesterday.

The Labour Party spokeswoman said that she did not know anything about the contacts. "I don't think there are such talks. In any case, they would be useless because our new, democratic, internal election process makes a merger impossible."

The Mapam officials said that their party, which left the Alignment in 1984 in protest against Labour's joining the national unity government, was still open to forming an alliance. One added, however, that such a merger was "unrealistic" because no one party could be a full partner.

In light of the failed efforts to merge with the Citizens Rights Movement, Mapam acknowledged that it will have to run independently for the first time in 23 years. This will mean an almost certain loss of some, if not most, of its six Knesset seats, observers said.

The officials hope that their 10th party congress, which opens tomorrow night in the Tel Aviv Cinema, will result in a show of unity. It should bury memories of the bitterly divisive congress held five years ago, at which the party narrowly voted to stay in the Alignment.

About 1,200 delegates are expected to participate in the three-day congress. They will discuss the major planks of the party's platform: socio-economic issues, civil rights and a political solution to the Palestinian issue.

The congress will also debate a resolution supporting the establishment of a Palestinian state. Mapam now supports Palestinian self-determination.

TWO BLACK VULTURES have been spotted in the north of the country, to the delight of ornithologists. The rare predator was last seen roosting in these parts in the 19th century.

# *Pamyat* brings back bad memories for Soviet Jews

By TZIPPI HOFFMAN

Barely off the plane, new immigrants from the Soviet Union attended a conference this week in Jerusalem aimed at organizing the Russian community of Israel. But their minds were still on what was happening back home, their chief worry being the spread of the extreme Russian nationalist movement, *Pamyat* (memory).

"Russian nationalism and patriotism is on the rise, and *Pamyat* uses this to their advantage," said Elena Dubranski, a political economy teacher and a refusenik for 11 years, who immigrated three weeks ago. "On March 6, there was a demonstration in Gorky Street. There were signs that read 'Kill the Jews and Save Russia.' "

Nataly Khassin, a mother of two, who arrived here with her husband last week, added that *Pamyat* has a very strong anti-Semitic political programme. She said there were rumours among Soviet Jews that *Pamyat* was preparing "pogroms" against the Jews for the "Millennium of the Christians."

Tanya Edelstein, who is married to Yuli Edelstein, a former Prisoner of Zion, pointed out that following the Gorky demonstration, Jews involved in activities in support of refuseniks received letters from *Pamyat* threatening that they would be killed if their activities did not cease.

Asked whether Soviet television's depiction of the unrest in the occupied territories did not deter Jews from wanting to immigrate here, they said that while long-time refuseniks would not abandon their commitment to Israel, recent applicants for exit visas might indeed consider changing their final destination upon leaving the Soviet Union.

There were different views about the prospect that the Israeli government might re-route Soviet Jewish emigrants through Bucharest instead of Vienna. This would make it more difficult for them to head for countries other than Israel.

"There are different ways of bringing refuseniks to Israel," said the wife of a former Prisoner of Zion. "Some people think that [the Bucharest plan] is the way to increase aliya, I disagree." "I think it's the right decision," countered another new immigrant, who said his "only worry" was that American Jewish organizations might seek other ways of helping refuseniks go to countries besides Israel.

Ida Milgrom, the 80-year-old mother of Natan Sharansky, stated that those who did not want to come to Israel should not be forced to do so.

Most people interviewed felt this was both a difficult and delicate issue. While the new immigrants would like all Soviet Jews to come to Israel, they felt it would be better to see them go to the U.S. than stay in Russia.

There was a consensus among the recent arrivals that information they had received from Israel about this country painted "too rosy" a picture. There was a lack of "honest" information about Israel, they complained. Soviet Jews who decided to immigrate to the U.S. were often better informed about that country than Jews waiting to leave for Israel were about the "Holy Land."

Richard Schifter, the U.S. assistant secretary for human rights and humanitarian affairs, said this week that Soviet authorities are now processing emigration applications "reasonably fast" and Jews who wish to leave should take advantage of the opportunity in case the situation changes.

Schifter, in remarks to the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, said he believed a huge percentage of the Soviet Union's two million Jews would emigrate if given the chance.

Most have not applied, knowing they would be subject to discrimination in employment and other opportunities while waiting for approval.

Schifter said, however, "It looks as if a good many people could get their cases processed reasonably fast if they were to apply right now.

"A good many of them are not fully aware today of what the possibilities are: that you can indeed fill out the forms, get them filed and there's a chance within six weeks or two months perhaps to get your application processed," he said.

The United States has been urging the Soviets to allow freer emigration and religious freedom. Schifter said a pledge by Mikhail Gorbachev last week to show more tolerance towards religion represented "somewhat of an opening."

# Survey: 'Social crisis for Israeli Arabs'

By DAVID RUDGE
Jerusalem Post Reporter

SHFARAM – More than 40 per cent of Arab families in Israel are below the poverty line and 26 per cent live in extremely overcrowded conditions, according to new research sponsored by the International Centre for Peace in the Middle East (ICPME).

The survey revealed that 46 per cent of Arab teenagers (aged 13-17) are not receiving a formal education – compared to a drop-out rate of 6.3 per cent among Jewish youths.

At the same time, the municipal budgets of Jewish local authorities are three times higher than the allocations given to similar-sized Arab councils.

The research project, funded by a Ford Foundation grant, was conducted by a joint Jewish-Arab staff under the direction of Prof. Henry Rosenfeld of Haifa University. The study, entitled "The Condition and Status of the Arabs in Israel," has so far investigated four separate aspects – health care, social and welfare benefits, local government and the legal status of Israeli Arabs.

In all cases, the researchers found that discrimination against Arabs continued to exist, despite some improvements, Rosenfeld said.

The findings were presented by members of the research team and representatives of the ICPME to the national committee of Arab local councils here yesterday. The council leaders welcomed the report, although they noted that previous studies by Arabs themselves had been submitted to the government but had "fallen on deaf ears."

Arieh Ya'ari, a director of the centre, said it was no secret that Israeli Arabs were at a crossroads between integrationist and separatist tendencies. He said the eventual direction would be affected by the way the Israeli-Palestinian conflict evolved. Meanwhile the inequities in the economic, social, legal and public spheres only served to fuel the crisis that threatened Arab-Jewish relations in Israel.

Research into the problems was important, Ya'ari said, and the ICPME project would help serve as a source of verified information for policymakers, thereby enabling them to take corrective action and base Arab/Jewish co-existence on equality in fact as well as theory.

With the aid of another Ford Foundation grant, the centre will investigate the fields of economy, employment, housing, education, crime and law enforcement.

# Police on trail of suspect Judaica

By JOSEPH HOFFMAN
For The Jerusalem Post

The director of the Jerusalem International Judaica Fair currently being held at Binyenei Ha'uma, yesterday rejected rumours that stolen objects were among articles offered for sale.

"All of our items are kosher," said Yoel Makov. "Reports that certain items are tainted are unsubstantiated."

The flurry of speculation was caused by the withdrawal of a rare 15th-century Italian book from the auction, when police became suspicious that it may have been stolen. The auction is organized by the Society of Judaica Collectors.

The object in question is a Book of Psalms with commentary by David Kimchi (known as *Radak*), published in Bologna in 1477. The police asked society president Avraham Froehlich to submit the book for investigation.

Froehlich said: "We have withdrawn the item from the auction. It will not be offered for sale until the investigation is completed." He would not divulge the provenance of the book.

It is believed that the Book of Psalms was originally part of the vast collection of the Budapest Rabbinical Seminary. After the death of the director, Prof. Alexander Scheiber, certain items disappeared from the seminary's library, which had not yet standardized its cataloguing. Many of these items have not yet been recovered.

The auction and the fair are being held in conjunction with the Second International Seminar on Jewish Art, but there is no organizational connection among the three.

Concern for the pedigree of the items was prompted by recent thefts that Scotland Yard, which is coordinating its investigation with Italian and Israeli police, has dubbed the work of "The Judaica Gang." The gang's most recent successes include thefts from the National Academy of Sciences in Budapest and from the Jewish Library in Florence.

In Florence, the theft was particularly sophisticated, as several men disguised as rabbis entered the library and made off with books and ceremonial objects which they had supposedly been studying.

CERTIFICATES of Appreciation were awarded yesterday to several newspapers, including *The Jerusalem Post*, by Arab leaders, for coverage of last June's Equality Day general strike.

# Anne Frank's last days

AMSTERDAM (Reuter) - Anne Frank's final days in a Nazi concentration camp were described for the first time this week in a documentary screened by Dutch television.

Seven women inmates of Bergen-Belsen who were with the 15-year-old Dutch-Jewish girl at the end, broke a 43-year silence to tell their story. Anne Frank's diary, written while her family was in hiding, has become a symbol of Jewish suffering under the Nazis,

The documentary was the first public account of what happened to Anne after she was arrested with her family, on August 4, 1944, in the annex of an Amsterdam canal-side house where they had hidden for two years. She died of typhus in Bergen-Belsen in March, 1945.

The family's sole survivor, Anne's father Otto, had been separated from her and did not hear about her fate until months after he returned from the camps.

"In the last days, at a certain moment, Anne stood before me wrapped in a blanket...and told me that she was so terrified of the bugs in her clothes she had thrown them away," recalled Janny Brandeis in the programme.

"It was the middle of winter. I scraped together what I could find for her," said Brandeis, recounting their time at Bergen-Belsen.

"A few days later I went to see her, and Anne's sister Margot had fallen from her bed onto the stone floor, dead. A day later Anne died," she said.

The documentary, a Dutch-Belgian co-production, included an interview with Anne's childhood friend, Lies Goosens, who now lives under another name in Israel.

Goosens recalled being told by the Franks' neighbour in 1942 that the family had fled to Switzerland and only discovered the truth when she met Anne again in Bergen-Belsen.

"What are you doing here?" I asked when I saw her. "I thought you were in Switzerland." She laughed and told me the neighbour had said that to conceal their going into hiding, Goosens recalled.

Goosens said she tried to toss Anne a biscuit from her slighty less dismal part of the camp. "But a scream arose and other women fell on it – they were also hungry – and took it from her," she recalled.

Dutch filmmaker Willy Lindwer took two years to make the film. He traced several eyewitnesses and it took him more than a year to persuade them to talk.

"They participated in the film because they realized that they were among the few eyewitnesses left."

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## TODAY'S ENTERTAINMENT

### TELEVISION

**EDUCATIONAL TV**

**9.00** Teletext **9.10** Keep Fit **9.20** Pretty Butterfly **9.45** Rain and Bow **10.05** Shirutrom – songs and contributions to LIBI **10.10** "Habima" Theatre Songs **11.10** Shirutrom **11.20** "Up in Arms" with Danny Kaye **13.05** Shirutrom **13.10** Pop music **14.00** Teletext **14.05** Rehov Sumsum **14.40** Family Relations **15.15** Keep Fit **15.30** Preparation for the Grammar Matriculation Exam **15.50** Shirutrom **15.55** Planet Earth (part 2) **17.00** A New Evening

**ISRAEL TV**

***CHILDREN'S PROGRAMME***

**17.30** Animation **17.55** "Pumiki" **18.25** Language Corner

**ARABIC PROGRAMMES**

**18.30** News roundup **18.32** Art Magzine **19.00** Meeting **19.30** News

**HEBREW PROGRAMMES**

**20.00** News roundup **20.02** Mabat Sport **20.55** Language Corner **21.00** Mabat Newsreel **21.30** Live broadcast from Shirutrom **22.00** *"War Diary"* documentary film based on Ben-Gurion's diary **23.00** Matlock **23.50** News

**ISRAEL TV CHANNEL 2**

**18.30** Kimba – the White Lion **19.00** Entertainment, Sports and Science in America **20.00** Iacocca – an American profile **21.30** Songs

**JORDAN TV** (unofficial)

**17.30** Cartoons **18.00** French Hour **19.30** News in Hebrew **20.00** News in Arabic **20.30** Kate and Allie **21.00** Wish Me Luck **22.00** News in English **22.10** Feature film

***MIDDLE EAST TV***

**13.30** Another Life **14.00** 700 Club **14.30** Shape-Up **15.00** The Spiral Zone **15.30** Flying House **16.00** Fraggle Rock **16.30** Afternoon Movie: "Duck Soup" stars: The Marx Brothers **18.00** Punky Brewster **18.30** The Facts of Life **19.00** News **20.00** Scarecrow and Mrs. King **21.00** *Highway to Heaven* **22.00** *Hissad a-Shar* (Harvest of Evil) **23.00** 700 Club **23.30** Another Life

### RADIO

**VOICE OF MUSIC**

**6.02** Morning Melodies **7.00** Schubert: Sonata for Violin and Piano; Dvorak: Music for Strings; Liszt: Mephisto Waltz; Saint-Saens: Cello Concerto **9.00** Bach: Suite No. 1; Britten: Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra; Mendelssohn: Violin Concerto; Bartok: *Music for Percussion* and Celesta; Brahms: Symphony No. 2; Stravinsky: The Wedding; Weill: Finale from "The Three Penny Opera" **12.00** From the Tape Shelf – works by Beethoven and Schumann **13.05** Boyce: Symphony No. 8 (Bournemouth); Schubert: Piano Sonata (Brendel); Dvorak: Symphony No. 5 (National Scottish/Jarvi) **15.00** Musical Encounters **16.00** Piano Quartet (Laks, Keles, Levertov, Gruber) – works by Mahler, Partos and Brahms **17.30** Range of Sounds **18.00** Music Anthology **19.00** Light Classical Music **20.05** Musical Medley **20.30** Opera – Busoni and Stravinsky **23.00** The Golden Generation – William Mengelberg – Mahler: Symphony No. 3 (Concertgebouw)

**RADIO 1st**

**6.03** Programmes for Olim **7.30** Programme in Easy Hebrew **8.05** Compass **9.05** Information for Listeners **10.05** Israeli Songs and Dances **11.05** Morning Pearls **12.05** Mideast Medley **13.00** News in English **13.30** News in French **14.05** Youth Magazine **15.30** Everyman's University **16.05** Unknown Land **17.00** News in English **17.05** News in French **17.10** Songs for the Afternoon **18.06** Tradition and Religion **19.20** Bible *Readings* **19.30** *Programmes for Olim* **22.05** *"I Have a Dream"* **00.00** News

**RADIO 2nd**

**6.04** Editorial Review **6.10** Gymnastics **6.30** News roundup **6.52** Green Light **7.00** This Morning **8.05** Making an Issue **9.05** House Call with Rivka Michaeli **10.05** All Shades of the Network **12.10** O.K. on Two **13.05** Midday – news, commentary and music **14.05** Art and Culture Magazine **14.30** Humour **15.05** Hebrew Songs **16.05** Economics Magazine **17.05** Magic Moments **18.06** Spotlight **18.45** Sports **19.00** Evening Magazine **19.35** Hebrew Songs **20.05** Folklore Magazine **22.05** The Fifth Night **00.05** Midnight Magazine **00.15** Songs for the End of the Day

**ARMY**

**6.05** Morning Melodies **6.30** Open Your Eyes – news **7.07** "707" **8.00** Good Morning Israel **8.30** "Shirutrom" – 40 years, 40 hours **19.00** News Magazine **20.00** "Shirutrom," continued **00.05** Night Birds **02.00** Music for the small hours **05.00** Morning Melodies

**ARMY RADIO FREQUENCIES**

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| NORTH | 1368 | HAIFA | 102.3 |
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| JERUSALEM | 1404 | BEERSHEBA | 99.8 |
| BEERSHEBA | 1224 | EILAT | 107.9 |
| MITZPE RAMON | 1395 | | |
| HAYUN | 1368 | | |
| EILAT | 1305 | | |

## CINEMA PERFORMANCES

**JERUSALEM**

**Beit Agron:** Tongue in Cheek 10; 1:30, 7; E.T. 11:30; Zelig 8:30; The Outsiders 10:15; The Key 12 midnight. **Cinemathequa:** The Birds 7; The Other Look, My Father's War 9:30; Law of Desire 9:30; Blue Velvet 12 midnight. **Eden:** The Warrior 4:30, 7:15, 9:15. **Edison:** Hanna's War 6, 9. **Israel Museum:** Just Between Friends 7, 9. **Jerusalem Theatre:** Au Revoir les Enfants 4:30 (reduction for pensioners) 7, 9:30. **Kfir:** Moonstruck 4:30, 7:15, 9:15. **Mitchell:** September 7:15, 9:15. **Orgil:** Wall Street 4:30, 6:50, 9:15. **Orion Or 1:** Running Man 3:45. The Last Emperor 5:45, 8:45. **Orion Or 2:** Bestseller 4:30, 7:15, 9:15. **Orion Or 3:** Stakeout 4:30, 7, 9. **Orion Or 4:** Light of Day 4:30, 11:15 p.m. Ironweed 6:45, 9:15. **Orion Or 5:** Shellshock 4:30, 7, 9. An Unmarried Woman 11:15 p.m. **Orna:** Les Yeux Noirs 4:30, 7, 9:15. **Semadar:** Le Grand Chemin 7:30, 9:30.

**TEL AVIV**

**Beit Liessin:** Animal House 11:15. **Ben Yehuda:** Fatal Attraction 4:30, 7:15, 9:30. **Chen 1:** Wall Street 5, 7:25, 9:50. **Chen 2:** Someone to Watch Over Me 5, 7:30, 9:55. **Chen 3:** The Last Emperor 12:30, 3:30, 6:30; 9:30. **Chen 5:** Stakeout 11, 2, 5, 7:30, 9:50. **Dekel:** Suspect 7:15. **Dizengoff I:** Sammy and Rosie Get Laid 11, 1:30, 5, 7:30, 9:50. **Dizengoff II:** Jean de Florette 7:30. Manon 11, 1:30, 5, 9:50. **Dizengoff III:** Hope and Glory 11, 1:30, 5, 7:30, 9:50. **Drive-In:** Fatal Attraction 7:30, 9:45. **Esther:** *Leonardo 6, at* 4:15, 7, 9:45. **Gat:** Nuts 5, 7:30, 9:45. **Hakolnoa ZOA House:** The Beauty of Sin 5, 7:30, 9:45; Monty Python: The Meaning of Life 11:45. **Hod:** Bestseller 5, 7:30, 9:30. **Lev I:** Le Grand Chemin 2, 5, 7:40, 9:55. **Lev II:** The Hidden Fortress 2, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45. **Lev III:** Wings of Desire 2, 7:30. Tolerance 5, 9:45. **Lev IV:** Consell de Famille 2, 5, 7:30, 9:50. **Limor Hamehudash:** Ironweed 4:30, 7, 9:30; 9½ Weeks 12 midnight. **Maxim:** Tongue in Cheek 4:30, 7:30, 9:40. **New Gordon:** Shellshock 4:30, 7:15, 9:30. **Orly:** Moonstruck 5, 7:30, 9:30. **Paris:** Lady Eve 12, 2, 4, 7:15, 9:30. **Shahaf:** Hanna's War 6:15, 9:15. **Sivan:** Clockwork Orange 5, 7:30, 9:40. **Tamuz:** The World According to Garp 9:30; Slaughterhouse Five 12 midnight. **Tayelet 1:** House of Game 5:10, 7:40, 9:40. **Tayelet 2:** *Moonstruck* 5, 7:30, 9:30. **Tayelet 3:** September 5, 7:30, 9:30. **Tchelet:** The Last Emperor 5, 7:30, 9:45. **Tel Aviv:** The Warrior 5, 7:30, 9:30. **Tel Aviv Museum:** Black Eyes 4:30, 7, 9:30. **Zafon:** Au Revoir les Enfants 5, 7:30, 9:50.

**HAIFA**

**Atzmon 1** Fatal Attraction 4:30, 6:45, 9. **Atzmon 2:** Hanna's War 6, 9. **Atzmon 3:** Tongue in Cheek 4:30, 7, 9:15. **Chen Hamehudash:** Principal 4:30, 7, 9:15. **Keren Or Hamehudash:** Joshua, Joshua 4:30, 7, 9:15; *Reggae Sunsplash 11:20 p.m.*. **Orah:** One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest 6:30, 9. **Orly:** Au Revoir les Enfants 7, 9:15. **Peer:** Wall Street 4:30, 6:50, 9:15. **Rav Gat 1:** Nuts 4:30, 6:50, 9:15. **Rav Gat 2:** Someone to Watch Over Me 4:30, 7, 9:15. **Rav Or 1:** The Last Emperor 5, 8:15. **Rav Or 2:** Stakeout 4:30, 6:50, 9:15. **Rav Or 3:** Suspect 4:30, 6:45, 9:15. **Ron:** Moonstruck 4:30, 7, 9:15. **Savion:** Can't Buy Me Love 7, 9:15. **Shavit:** The Beauty of Sin 7, 9:15.

**RAMAT GAN**

**Lily:** *House of Game 7:30, 9:30.* **Oasis:** Nuts 5, 7:25, 9:45. **Ordea:** Death Wish IV, 7:15, 9:30. **Rav Gan 1:** Wall Street 5, 7:30, 9:55. **Rav Gan 2:** Stakeout 5, 7:30, 9:50. **Rav Gan 3:** Jean de Florette 6:15, 9:15. **Rav Gan 4:** The Last Emperor 6:15, 9.15.

**HERZLIYA**

**Dan Accadia Cinema Club:** Surrender 7, 9:30. **Daniel Hotel Auditorium:** September 7:15, 9:30. **David:** The Beauty of Sin 7:30, 9:30. **New Tiferet:** The Last Emperor 6:30, 9:30.

**HOLON**

**Armon Hamehudash:** Shellshock 7:30, 9:30. **Migdal:** Empire of the Sun 6:45, 9:30. **Savoy:** Fatal Attraction 5, 7:30, 9:30

**BAT YAM**

**Atzmaut:** Night on the Town 5, 7:30, 9:30.

**GIVATAYIM**

**Hadar:** Moonstruck 5, 7:30, 9:30.

**RAMAT HASHARON**

**Kochav:** Adventures in Babysitting 7. Un Homme Amoureux 9:30; Maya the Bee 11 a.m., 4:15; Koyaanisqatsi 1:15; Prizzi's Honor 3:15.

**PETAH TIKVA**

**G.G. Hechal 1:** Hanna's War 6:15, 9:10. **G.G. Hechal 2:** Fatal Attraction 4:30, 7:30, 9:45. **G.G. Hechal 3:** The Last Emperor 6:15, 9:10

**RISHON LEZION**

**G.G. Ron 1:** Hanna's War 6:45, 9:30. **G.G. Ron 2:** Moonstruck 5, 7:30, 9:30.

**NETANYA**

***Dor – Hechal Hatarbut:*** *84 Charing* Cross Road 7:15, 9:30. **Studio Netanya:** Black Eyes 5, 7:15, 9:30.

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**JERUSALEM**

**Museums**

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**Museums**

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# On the wavy line

There & Then/Sraya Shapiro

JOIN THE NAVY and see a computer screen. Gone are the days of captains ruling the waves from the bridge. The fighting officer of today watches screens to tell enemy from friend. Even his big wheel is hardly more than a relic.

There were no computer screens on the Israel Navy's ships 40 years ago. There weren't even guns on them.

And that was the biggest secret this writer had to preserve when he was asked, in the twilight period before the official declaration of independence, to help edit the embryonic service's monthly magazine.

A young man in civilian clothes – Wiesner, I think his name was – took me to the San Remo Hotel on the Tel Aviv sea front, where another young man, also in civvies, issued me with an official paper stating that I was "partially enlisted."

Much later, Arye (Lova) Eliav admitted that no such status existed. But thos: were limbo days, and the document explained my presence among the naval fraternity, albeit I was always accompanied by an officer.

ONE OF THE stories I had to write was about life in the ratings' recreation premises. These consisted of a long, bare room in a shack left by the British. As entertainment facilities it included a piano, on which a fattish young man exercised when off duty (in later life I met him as editor of a catalogue of Israeli stamps).

Hanging around with a broom was a lean young man, somewhat older than the rest, who spoke hardly any Hebrew. I was told he was an artist hailing from Bucharest. When things settled down a bit, the Navy arranged for an exhibition of his sketches at a Haifa gallery.

Jean David is a well-known artist today, though he exhibits rather sparingly. An introvert by nature, he is seldom seen in the artistic crowd.

He says he became committed to painting when, at the age of 12, he was given a book of Durer's engravings. "I was so impressed, I copied them all faithfully."

Portrait of the artist, Jean David.

His father was quite tolerant about the boy's infatuation with art, but advised him to study architecture as well, in order to be able to earn a livelihood.

DAVID SR. OWNED a cafe just opposite King Carol's palace.

"My father's habitués were a noisy crowd, very outspoken about royalty," says Jean. "The king did not like being disturbed. He razed the building where the cafe was, and planted a garden instead."

Jean did in fact begin studying architecture at the Beaux Arts in Paris, but soon gave it up and switched to painting. After two years at the Beaux Arts, however, he had had enough of the Greek goddesses and Roman monuments the academy cultivated at that time. But he remained in Paris, imbibing the atmosphere of Montparnasse. Until one bright day, he went back to Bucharest.

"A grave mistake! I forgot the army sammonses I had been served with in Paris. Back in Romania, I was drafted. A whole year as an infantryman! Talk of pleasure..."

There was worse to come. Romania came under the sway of Hitler. Jews were rounded up.

"Happily, *baksheesh* still reigned supreme." David was able to slip out of Romania, and landed on a Turkish island.

"The Turks handed us over to the British, and the British took us to Cyprus. Another two idle years... No, I didn't paint. I just couldn't."

In 1944 he was allowed into Palestine and joined the Royal Navy. He spent most of the time at Port Tewfik, in Egypt. Lower deck. Obviously, he was directed to the Navy once the State of Israel was established.

THERE IS something gypsy-like in Jean David's attitude to life – the resignation to being an outsider, the faculty for existing makeshift conditions and never complaining.

He lived in Jerusalem's Talbiyeh for a couple of years, in a room he discovered in the basement of a building, never paying rent.

"But then Israel began to buy ships. Decorating the ships' interior was good work, good money."

Life took a new turn. David moved to Tel Aviv, married, bought a studio. His studio is neat – none of the artistic mess characteristic of many a painter. But then, there is no mess in David's painting either.

Does he retain any connections with the Navy?

"None," Jean David says. "My last naval acquaintance was my dentist, whom I go to know in the service. But he died recently."

The sea leaves no tracks. □

# A new Beethoven

MUSIC REVIEWS

**ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA. Roger Norrington conducting. All Beethoven programme: Incidental Music to "Egmont," Op. 84 (with Sylvia Greenberg, soprano, and Gideon Shemer, narrator); "Leonora" Overture No. 2; Symphony No. 2 in D major, Op. 36. (Mann Auditorium, Tel Aviv, May 1.)**

ROGER Norrington is a conductor who puts himself above the music. In all his performances, but particularly in the "Egmont" and "Leonora" overtures and in the symphony, there could have been no doubt who was at the centre. Norrington's interpretations are not only highly personal, they are eccentric and compulsive.

He overdramatizes and exaggerates almost everything. His strikes of the baton produced orchestral thunderbolts; the timpani assumed a central role; pauses were overemphasized; the tempo of the symphony's last movement was wild. Every moment of the performance was imprinted by Norrington's personality – he actually subdued the orchestra.

Character, style, idiom and above all musical content should be enlightened by the personality of the conductor, but with Norrington it is the other way round: the music becomes the means by which his own personality is portrayed in a most domineering, aggressive way.

Under Norrington the orchestra indeed played splendidly. I have never before heard the orchestra respond so willingly to musical extremity and extravagance. The musicians seemed to have been spellbound by the "originality" of Norringon's ways.

How he achieves this is remarkable. He mounts the podium most humbly, but the moment he raises his baton, everything is transformed. Phrases, passages, chords and melodies emerge as if formulated in some inexplicable way.

All this is undoubtedly of great interest, a complete diversion from convention – in fact a new Beethoven as we have never experienced before. But if it was also an authentic Beethoven, whether Beethoven should be allowed to be so completely changed by the conception of an egocentric conductor like Norrington remains highly questionable.

**ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA – PHILOCLASSICA. Zeev Dorman conducting with Boris Belkin, violin. Mozart: Divertimento No. 11 in D major, K.251; Concerto No. 4 in D major for violin and orchestra, K.218; Haydn: Symphony No. 100 in G major ("Military"). (Mann Auditorium, Tel Aviv, April 28.)**

FOR THIS concert, Zeev Dorman must be credited with an undeniable success. The Mozart Divertimento was presented lightheartedly, transparent in texture and amiable in phrasing. The Divertimento achieved its goal to please the ear and caress the soul.

Whereas Dorman seemed to have offered us carefree affection with his treatment of the Mozart, Belkin didn't seem to care much about the music. His performance of Mozart seemd to be almost exclusively based on a smooth flowing sweet tone and on phrasing which merely skimmed the surface of the music without tyring to deepen the experience.

True, Mozart's violin concertos are not very profound and exciting but neither are they pretty figurines to be admired because of their perfect shape and polished faces. Belkin proved his flawless technique, but also his inability to convey a more profound message.

Concerning the Haydn symphony, Dorman seemed content to take the music at face value. He didn't try to be particularly striking or add interpretative elements. Articulation and rhythm were precise and the orchestra sounded balanced, playing with a strong sense of ensemble.

***PIANO RECITAL BY THOMAS DUIS.* Haydn: Sonata in C major, Hob. 16/50; Chopin: Sonata in B flat minor; Brahms: Sonata Op. 1 in C major (Beit Ariela, Tel Aviv, April 27).**

THOMAS DUIS, who won the second prize at the 1986 Rubinstein competition, seems to have made little progress since his earlier achievements. Perhaps expctations were too high, but the recital impressed as lacking in musical personality and ability to communicate musical messages. The Haydn was the only number that we could endorse wholeheartedly. Duis displayed a bright and brisk tone and impeccable finger technique, and organized the music into clear-cut and nicely formulated phrases.

The problems started with the Chopin. Possessing undoubtedly all the necessary instrumental capabilities, Duis simply did not know how to handle the music. In his performance there was neither breadth nor strength. Duis refused to commit himself. Nothing was said with conviction. He never gave himself the chance to cry out in pain and despair. The great drama of Chopin's sonata remained shut out. Duis had no clear vision of the work nor would he let himself go with enthusiasm and impulse. He also failed to fuse the various sections into a continuous stream of ideas. In short, Chopin emerged understated and vague in message.

With the Brahms he fared slightly better, but even here Duis never spoke with authority.

**ISRAEL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA – *Light classical music.* Ze'ev Dorman conducting with Boris Belkin, violin (Mann Auditorium, Tel Aviv, April 27). Glinka: Overture to "Russian and Ludmila"; Tchaikovsky: Violin Concerto; Mussorgsky-Gorchakov: "Pictures at an Exhibition."**

THERE CAN BE no doubt whatever that Boris Belkin is a virtuoso; but virtuosity includes a wide range of tone that can be changed in timbre and volume, and varied in accordance with the musical requirements of a composition. Without that, virtuosity becomes an empty vessel and Belkin's tone, regrettably, fails to reveal the necessary potential.

The first and last movements of the concerto seemed, therefore, to remain throughout their whole length on one interpretative level and there were almost no dynamical changes. The music did not open up, nor did it develop towards its climaxes. Both movements lacked tension and did not propel themselves towards their final cadences.

In the second movement, on the other hand, where only a very small tone is required, sensitive lyricism was perfectly projected. To sum up Belkin's performance: his small tone does not allow him to put his virtuosity at the the service of the musical content.

AS TO THE orchestration by Gorchakov (a contemporary Soviet composer) of Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*, one can only say: the mountain laboured and brought forth a mouse.

There is nothing really interesting, revealing or innovative in this new version. Gorchakov claims to restore Mussorgsky's intentions, which Ravel apparently distorted with his brilliant, impressionistic orchestration. But what Gorchakov offers us sounds bearish, clumsy and stuck far too much in the low register.

True, Dorman's performance did not seem very inspired, accurate or exhaustive. Nevertheless, if *Pictures at an Exhibition* it has to be, the choice should really be between Mussorgsky's original piano version and Ravel's fireworks.

*BENJAMIN BAR-AM*

# Can Hapoel upset Maccabi?

By DON GOULD

The long basketball season has worked its way to its most crucial juncture, the championship of the league. Tonight Maccabi Tel Aviv and Hapoel Tel Aviv open their best-of-three series, the result of which will not only earn the winner the honour of the national title, but perhaps even more importantly, the opportunity to represent Israel next year in the battle for the coveted European Champions' Cup.

Despite the financial problems that have plagued them all season long, Hapoel have managed to put together a solid, well-balanced team. They beat a quality Hapoel Holon team in the semi-final series by simply wearing their opponents down. They had too much ammunition, and kept Holon in trouble for the whole series. Even Holon's home court victory in game No. 2 was a come-from-behind triumph.

Hapoel Tel Aviv's coach, Moshe Weincrantz, used his talented bench wisely. They have two quality big men in Lavon Mercer and Carl Amos, with veteran Howie Lassoff always ready for back up duty. Then they have Linton Townes, who can play both forward and shooting guard – and is second to none in the league in these two slots. His shooting talent and general quality court presence add to his aura as does his fine defensive play, viz the job he did on Hapoel Holon's Joe Dawson.

In a league not particularly blessed with good point guards, captain Amos Frishman has proven himself to be more than adequate. He is backed up by 18-year-old Rotem Ehrlich, to whom coach Weincrantz has wisely given valuable playing time. Haim Zlotikman, who can also play the point if necessary, is among the best Israeli shooting guards in the league and had a particularly good series against Hapoel Holon.

Jonathan Dalzel has become Hapoel Tel Aviv's sixth man and can come off the bench and score at will on any given night. They have the balance and the depth to give any team a really torrid time.

Despite all this wealth of talent Hapoel have two serious problems as they prepare for the championship series. First, they are completely exhausted after doing battling arduously with Holon and haven't had time either to rest or prepare satisfactorily.

Secondly, Maccabi are in precisely the opposite situation. They cruised past Galil Elyon in two games and have had a whole week to prepare.

Maccabi have two of the best big men in Europe in Magee and Barlow. Their problem, however, is that they don't always run their offence to pass them the ball. Whenever they use Willie Sims at either point or shooting guard, Hapoel are sure to have a tough time matching up.

Doron Jamchee is an explosive shooter and when Maccabi are into their running game they can be genuinely lethal. Their bench, although weakened by the loss of Greg Cornelius through injury, is still solid. Mottie Daniel is versatile enough to play several positions while Mottie Aroesti and Chen Lippin are both experienced point guards.

Mickey Berkowitz, when used wisely, can still turn in some more than valuable minutes. Itzik Cohen as back-up to Maccabi's starting big men is still too young and inexperienced, but can be spot-used from time to time.

Although tonight's game is obviously all-important in the battle for the crown in Israeli basketball, other games still being played will determine which teams occupy the third to sixth places.

Last night Hapoel Holon beat Galil Elyon 83-82 in a cliffhanger in the first of their best-of games for third place, and Elitzur Netanya overcame Maccabi Ramat Gan in the first of their best-of-three games for fifth place.

# Arab team claim there was pogrom

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA – Complaints that the Beit Shean police cooperated with Kach rowdies and violent Beit Shean fans to stage a "pogrom" at the end of the match in Beit Shean between the local team and the Arab team, Maccabi Tamra (which has three Jewish players) have been made officially to Police Minister Haim Bar-Lev.

Last Saturday, following a scoreless draw against their rivals for promotion, Hapoel Beit She'an, in a match played in Beit She'an, a violent fracas broke out, which left 13 Tamra players and fans in prison, 30 injured and 30 of their cars wantonly damaged by the home team supporters.

They charged yesterday that the Beit She'an police, detailed to maintain security in the "hot" match, "in fact fouled against us, using their uniforms as licence to come down on us, while doing nothing to save us from the local fans." There were 7,000 spectators, the majority Beit Shean Jews.

One of the three Jewish players on the team, Yehezkel Shiri, (on loan from Maccabi Haifa) termed the incident which started after the final whistle, "a pogrom."

At a press conference here yesterday, the deputy mayor of the lower Galilee village, Muhamed Cana'an, Shiri and team manager, Adnan Khatib laid the blame squarely on the police. The officers had ostentatiously displayed tear gas grenades (which they photographed), and four officers had stood behind their goal and hurled "threats and insults" at the goalie, had done nothing to keep the Beit She'aners in line but come down on the Arabs with swinging batons.

They have sent a complaint to Police Minister Haim Bar-Lev, demanding an independent investigation of the 30 officers' behaviour and why they had done nothing to stop the incitement from yellow-shirted Kach rowdies during the game; also, why the police had kept them locked up on the pitch for two hours after the match.

To back their stand they displayed the letter they had sent to the police well before the match asking that out of town, "neutral" officers secure the important match; the Football Association's "Fair Play" plaque they had received last year and the handwritten "true description" of events by an Afula newsman who had been at the match.

The draw had left them one point behind Beit She'an's 42 with two games still to be played. "But, with our goalie in prison, two players badly beaten up, and the incitement against us all the way up to the Association, we may decide not to play them," they said.

They noted that last year they had lost 1-0 to Kiryat Shmona on their own pitch, "but we lost fairly and there was no trouble from our fans." The Valley District Police spokesman, Pakad Bernard Opincaro says he rejects all the charges.

"We are part of the Israel Police and not the police of the local football team," he claims. "If they have any complaints they should file them, not through the press, and we'll consider each one on its merits."

# McEnroe ousted by unknown

NEW YORK (AP) - John McEnroe ran into another roadblock on the comeback trail.

McEnroe, who is trying to regain the No. 1 ranking he held from 1981-84, was upset Tuesday by Diego Perez of Uruguay 7-6 (7-2), 2-6, 6-3 in the opening round of the Tournament of Champions.

McEnroe, 29, was the second seeded player to lose Tuesday as No. 12 Paul Annacone was beaten by Nicolas Pereira of Venezuela 7-5, 7-6 (8-6).

The top-seeded Edberg struggled before beating American John Ross 6-7 (5-7), 7-6 (7-5), 6-2.

Fifth-seeded Andre Agassi, No. 6 Mikael Pernfors, No. 7 Aaron Krickstein, No. 8 Slobodan Zivojinovic and No. 9 Jay Berger won their opening-round matches.

Annacone took a 5-2 lead in his second-set tiebreaker, but Pereira won the next four points to move ahead 6-5.

"I've never beaten a famous player in my life, so this is very important to me," said Pereira, a 17-year-old.

LATE NEWS: Gilad Bloom beat Rickey Van Rensburg in the 2nd. round 4-6,6-3,6-2

# Magic takes Lakers through

NEW YORK (AP) – Magic Johnson had 25 points and 11 assists and Mychal Thompson scored 23 points as the Los Angeles Lakers beat the San Antonio Spurs 109-107 Tuesday night and advanced to the second round of the NBA playoffs.

The Spurs could have sent the game into overtime, but Johnny Dawkins missed a layup with four seconds remaining, and the Lakers ran out the clock.

The Lakers, who have won 15 consecutive first-round games and swept their last five first-round series, will face the winner of the Portland-Utah series in the next round.

Walter Berry came off the Spurs bench to lead all scorers with 27 points, while Frank Brickowski added 22

The Spurs had a 91-89 lead at the beginning of the final period, but Thompson's basket with 8:16 left, tied the score at 97.

James Worthy later gave the Lakers the lead for good at 104-102. A basket by Johnson was offset by a field goal by Greg Anderson, making the score 106-104 with 2:50 left before Johnson scored three straight points to increase the margin to 109-104.

Roy Tarpley scored six of his 17 points in the final minutes, including the go-ahead basket with 3:45 to play, leading Dallas 93-92 over Houston.

In other games Tuesday night, Dallas took a 2-1 series lead with a 93-92 victory over Houston, and Cleveland avoided elimination against Chicago, defeating the Bulls 110-102 and Denver beat Seattle 125-114 to take a 2-1 lead.

In the next games it's Boston at New York, Detroit at Washington, Atlanta at Milwaukee and Portland at Utah. The Celtics and Hawks lead their series 2-0 while the Pistons lead 2-1 and the Trail Blazers and Jazz are tied 1-1.

## Pinching to win

NEW YORK (AP) - George Hendrick lined a pinch single to drive in the tying run, then scored the go-ahead run on a pinch single by Butch Wynegar as California scored five times in the ninth inning to beat the Cleveland Indians 8-4

In other American League games, Toronto beat Seattle 9-2, Kansas City downed Boston 9-3, Texas edged Baltimore 4-2, Oakland beat Detroit 8-2, New York downed Chicago 4-1 and Milwaukee nipped Minnesota 4-3.

In National League games, it was New York 8, Brewers 0(David Cone pitching his first major league shutout in his first start of the season);Houston 4, Philadelphia 0; Montreal 4, Cincinnati 3; Los Angeles 14, Pittsburgh 6; Chicago 13, San Diego 5; and San Francisco 2, St. Louis 0.

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| 4.Hap. PT v Beersheba | X | 1X |
| 5.Bnei Yehuda v Mac PT | 1 | 1 |
| 6.Betar J'lm v Mac Haifa | 2 | 12 |
| 7.Mac. TA v Lod | 1 | 1 |
| 8.Hap. Haifa v Yehud | 1 | 1 |
| 9.Tiberias v Hap J'lm | X | 1X2 |
| 10.Hadera v Hap RG | 1 | 1 |
| 11.Yavne v Sha'arayim | 1 | 1 |
| 12.Hakoach v Acre | 1 | 1 |
| 13.Bat Yam v Jaffa | 2 | X2 |
| 14.Bet Netanya v R.Amidar | X | X |

## CHESS TOURNEY

By YITZHAK LISS

In the 8th round of the national chess championships yesterday, Bruk beat Sabi, Veinger beat Peretz and Israel champion Natan Birnboim beat Gideon Lis. The game between Avni Elyosef and Kna'an Lahav finished in a draw.

With 7 games left till the end of the tournament, Gad Rechlis has 6 points, Ilan Manor and Ronen Lev 4.5 points and Vladimir Liberson 4. Natan Birnboim has 3 points (of 8 games) and Yitzhak Veinger 4 out of 5.

Loba Kristol (world champion in correspondence chess) leads the women championship with 4 points after 5 games, followed by Olga Padrazhalskaya with 3.5 points out of 4 games.

NHL – Wayne Gretzky set up three goals and the Edmonton Oilers threw a defensive shell around the listless Detroit Red Wings for a 4-1 victory Tuesday night in the opener of their Stanley Cup semifinal series. The Devils beat the Bruins 5-2.

## Hants' fine win

LONDON (AP) - Hampshire openers Paul Terry and Chris Smith hurried their side to a ten-wicket victory over Glamorgan in the Benson and Hedges county cricket competition.

While rain savaged the rest of the eight-match program, Hampshire restricted Glamorgan to 157 for nine at Southampton, despite a dogged 55 by the visitor's Indian all-rounder Ravi Shastri.

Then Terry (80 not out) and Smith (70 not out) tamed the Glamorgan bowling attack to reach the victory target without losing a wicket.

The match was the only one completed. Three failed to start.

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Members of the I.A.C.S. and individuals interested in joining the Association are cordially invited to attend the General Assembly.

For further information, or to confirm attendance, please call Miri Geula, Tel. 02-882903/5.

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A sign of the currency's stability

# Shekel joins Eurocheque club

By PINHAS LANDAU

European visitors to Israel should find paying for goods and services purchased here easier and cheaper, following this week's implementation of a Eurocheque package deal agreement.

The Israeli deal was negotiated by Bank Hapoalim, which will act as the clearer for Eurocheques presented through all Israeli banks. Hapoalim is in the process of signing separate agreements with each of the other banking groups, with the Leumi group being the first to enter the local system.

Eurocheques are uniform cheque forms, backed by an identifying plastic card, issued by banks in most European countries and are the most widely-used payments system in Europe. They allow customers of banks in one country to pay for purchases in other countries by writing a cheque exactly as he would at home, while the issuing bank guarantees the payment to the payee, up to a fixed limit. More than 211,000 bank counters and some five million retail outlets accept cash withdrawals and payments made with Eurocheques.

For example, a Frenchman visiting Austria may write cheques in Austrian schillings, and use these cheques for his hotel bills or other purchases, or to draw cash from a local bank. He thereby saves time and costly bank commissions on foreign exchange transactions.

The extension of the Eurocheque arrangement to Israel is a reflection of the new-found stability of the Israeli currency. Visitors will be able to write Eurocheques in shekels, to a limit of NIS 350 per cheque for a cash withdrawal, and twice that amount for purchases.

The bank or retailer to whom the cheque is made out must in turn forward the cheque to the drawee bank within 20 days of its date of issue. In the days of hyper-inflation, this period would have sufficed to erode the shekel's value by several per cent and thus deterred the retailer from accepting payment in shekels. The function of collecting and forwarding the cheques, and then of receiving the funds and relevant commissions from the drawee banks will be filled by Bank Hapoalim, which has set up a mini- "clearing-house" for this purpose.

The Eurocheque system should bring benefits to all parties, because it cuts the costs to everyone involved in handling the cheques, as well as to the visitor who actually draws it. Hapoalim also persuaded the tax authorities to extend the exemption granted to tourists who pay their bills in foreign currency to those using a Eurocheque denominated in Israeli shekels as well, since the end result is in both cases that the payment is made in foreign currency and remitted to Israel.

Given the convenience of using Eurocheques, the banks believe that European tourists will write far more of them now that Israel has joined the system. This will give the banks a greater share of the business of handling tourist payments, at the expense of the credit card and traveller's cheque companies.

# Czechs grant visas for local tour groups

By GREER FAY CASHMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

**TEL AVIV – Natour, the country's largest conglomerate of tour operators and travel agencies has received exclusive authorization from the Czech government to bring Israeli group tours to Czechoslovakia, Meior Caspi, Natour's general-manager told a news conference here yesterday.**

**He said that eight months ago, the Czechs had indicated that they would be willing to gradually increase the number of approvals for visa applications by Israeli passport holders. Caspi subsequently went to Prague to meet with government officials and returned with a letter of authorization, naming Natour as the exclusive organizer of Israeli group tours to the country.**

**In his talks with Czechs officials, Caspi raised the problem of the long delays before visas were granted. He was assured that the waiting time would be shortened from one-and-a-half months to seven to 10 days. This assurance was honoured with respect to the first of the Israeli groups, scheduled to leave for Czechoslovakia on June 16.**

**According to Caspi, there has been a surge in group travel in general, as more and more Israelis learn to calculate that there is better value for money in a group tour. The savings on a two weeks' vacation, said Caspi, can be as much as 30%, with the bulk of the benefits derived in ground services. Savings on plane fares amount to about 10% but on road travel it can be many tens of percentage points.**

**Caspi illustrated his point by saying that anyone who wanted to travel from Italy to London by car would probably spend around $1,000 on car rental and petrol costs, whereas the fare for the same distance in a comfortable air-conditioned coach would be around $100. The bus traveller would also have the services of a tour guide, Caspi added.**

**Of the approximately 300,000 Israelis vacationing abroad this summer, Caspi estimated that 100,000 would be leaving the country on group tours.**

**Established in 1977, Natour now has 275 active shareholders. Any travel organization joining the conglomerate must pay a share or membership fee of $10,000.**

THE TAX BURDEN/Jeff Broide

# The double-entry controversy

*Cash basis under the guillotine.*

The age-old controversy of accrual basis versus cash basis in accounting has raised its head again recently in the wake of a Tel Aviv District Court decision.

The case involved a security company which kept its books on the double-entry basis and as a result, the judge ruled that income tax was payable on income on the accrual – viz. the commercial – basis. The eaxpayer had, in fact, in the past been taxed on the cash basis.

The judge ruled that not the type or nature of the business and transactions, but rather that of the books of account, in fact determined which basis should be kept. He based his ruling on an understanding of what the term "double-entry" meant and also on the makeup of the instructions governing the keeping of books of account issued by the tax authorities.

It would appear that the reasoning behind this ruling is based on the fact that taxpayers should report, for income tax purposes, according to the actual results shown by the books of account kept and, therefore, if the taxpayer kept books on the commercial – that is accrual – basis of accounting, they should base the financial statements thereon.

A petition has been lodged with the Supreme Court following this ruling, and in the interim it has raised a great deal of controversy, as the Institute of CPAs in Israel is hotly contesting the decision. The institute is very much of the opinion that the keeping of books of account on the double-entry system does not necessarily mean that the basis for reporting is commercial, but rather that the same system of reporting could be used for the commercial or cash basis.

In the meantime, the ruling certainly has ramifications and it would appear that the tax authorities are acting according to it.

*Salary and other income and the National Insurance Institute.*

When a person is salaried and, in addition, receives additional income such as interest, dividends, property rental and such like – i.e., income not from carrying on a trade or profession – such person will only be liable for additional NII contributions if such additional income exceeds the salary earned.

For example, if the salary for the year was NIS 20,000 and income from interest and dividends was NIS 15,000, then no additional NII payments would be payable on the NIS 15,000. However, if the income from interest and dividends were NIS 30,000, then additional NII contributions would be payable up to the maximum ceiling set for that particular period.

It should be noted that in calculating which is the higher income – namely the salary or other income – one may add exemptions from NII contibutions such as car allowances back to the salary in order to determine which is the higher.

Returning to the above example, if there was also a car allowance of, say, NIS 5,000, thus giving a salary income of NIS 25,000, and if other income was NIS 22,000, then here too no additional NII contributions will be payable on the NIS 22,000. This is of considerable significance for numerous taxpayers.

*The writer is a Certified Public Accountant (Israel). Questions on tax matters may be addressed to him care of* The Jerusalem Post.

# Sharir urges rabbinate to encourage tourism

By GREER FAY CASHMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A delegation of Israeli rabbis will visit the United States next month in a major effort to promote tourism to Israel. This was agreed yesterday at a meeting between Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Avraham Shapira and Tourism Minister Avraham Sharir. The rabbis will engage in a wide-ranging information campaign aimed at dispelling recent negative media impressions of Israel.

Earlier this week, Sharir told a delegation of the British Chief Rabbi's Rabbinical Cabinet that it is up to the spiritual leaders of Jewish communities to implant in their congregants a sense of duty to visit Israel.

Sharir said that unless the rabbis ensured that every member of their respective communities comes to Israel, Israel and the Diaspora will grow apart.

Speaking at a luncheon at the Jerusalem Sheraton-Plaza Hotel Monday for the British visitors, which was also attended by orthodox Knesset Members from different parties, Sharir noted that the vast majority of Diaspora Jews have never set foot in Israel.

In France, Sharir noted, the rate of assimilation among Jews is as high as 67 per cent. He said he was afraid that this would be emulated in other countries if individual Jews lost contact with Jerusalem, said the minister.

Rabbi Sidney Silberg of the Hendon Synagogue assured Sharir that the rabbis themselves were not afraid of coming to Israel and were telling their congregations not to be frightened. Many of their own children, he added, were living in Israel.

Silberg noted that the highest percentage of Jews coming to visit or to settle permanently are from among the religiously observant sectors.

The rabbinical delegation includes 14 rabbis headed by Dayan David Kaplin of Finchley. Also in the group is Shimon Cohen, secretary to the chief rabbi. Their visit is jointly sponsored by the Ministry of Tourism and El Al.

# Iberia's surge

Post Economic Staff

Following several years of "not-so-good" operations, Iberia Airlines of Spain surged ahead in 1987, flying 14 million passengers – a million more than in the previous year.

The airline also reported it has "substantially" increased the number of its flights and destinations in the the U.S. and the Far East. For example, Iberia now operates two flights a week from Madrid to Tokyo via Anchorage, Alaska, and is planning to add a third flight as well. There are also two direct flights each week from Madrid to Los Angeles and Chicago.

Iberia and the Spanish Tourism Ministry have joined in a programme to enhance the Tel Aviv-Barcelona and Tel Aviv-Madrid services. Travellers arriving from Israel will also be placed on some of Iberia's new continuing flights, such as the Far East, Latin America and the U.S.

The Spanish Tourism Ministry has recently issued a series of Hebrew-language booklets – *Espania Judaica* – especially for the Israeli tourist. These publications describe the deep Jewish heritage connected with Barcelona, Madrid, Toledo, Seville, Cordoba and Majorca.

# Body Shop's sweet smell of success

Post Economic Staff and Agencies

When Anita Roddick opened her first Body Shop boutique, she sold her natural beauty products in urine sample bottles because she couldn't afford more glamorous packaging.

Twelve years, 318 shops and several million pounds sterling later, Britain's leading businesswoman is still peddling her wares in the simple plastic jars.

Last month, Body Shop opened half-a-dozen outlets here following the local demand for the company's products.

The jeans-clad entrepreneur sees no reason to change her homegrown 1960s ways just because she has won Britain's top business awards for converting a backstreet organic skin and hair care shop into a global retail chain success.

"The henna shampoo no longer looks like horse manure and we don't write labels by hand anymore," Roddick, 45, said.

"But we haven't diluted our image or principles.'" With her friend Richard Branson, head of the Virgin record empire, Roddick spearheads a new breed of 1960s-influenced "hippie capitalists" who make millions from counterculture trends and channel some profits into social causes.

In 33 countries from the Arctic to Saudi Arabia, Singapore to Spain, buyers seeking lotions, perfumes and soaps made from fruits, flowers and herbs cram into the Body Shops, with their smart dark green decor.

The original line of products has soared from 20 to 300, enticing customers with concoctions such as white grape skin tonic, jojoba cleanser and lily milk soap.

Roddick's wild corkscrew curls, penchant for swear words and crusade to save the environment have disturbed some in London's business community.

But the huge world demand for her no-hype cosmetics has won praise from the financial establishment.

"If you talk about values and feelings and love, they think you're flakey," she said. "Yet they have to note you've broken every rule and are a success." Roddick was honoured by Queen Elizabeth with an Order of the British Empire for her services to business. Britain's business leaders voted her 1985 Businesswoman of the Year and her company 1987's Business of the Year.

Body Shop international saw 1987 turnover rise 64% to £28.47m. and pretax profits by 74% to £5.99m.

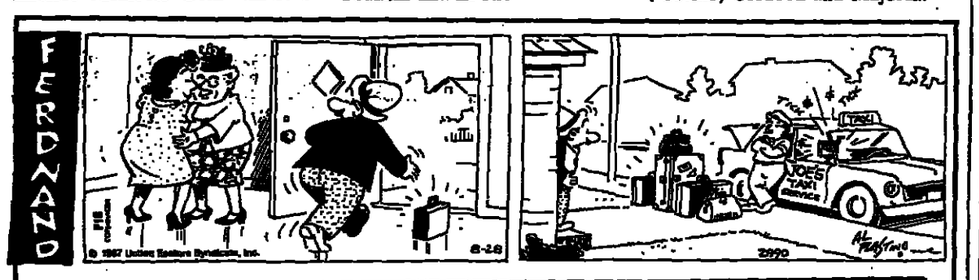
Though Roddick no longer runs a cottage industry, she tries to retain her new-age style of management which preaches "responsibility with profits" and no advertising.

The bio-degradable products are not tested on animals, recycled paper and refillable bottles are used and Roddick has joined forces with environmental groups on campaigns to save whales and fight acid rain.

She sponsors good works, such as helping to support destitute boys in India and encouraging staff to do volunteer community work. Aside from make-up, the company puts out material and educational films about health and environmental issues.

Roddick's spontaneous informality spills over to London office staff who are rarely seen in suits and address her by first name.

"We are Britain's only holistic company, the new face of business," she maintained.



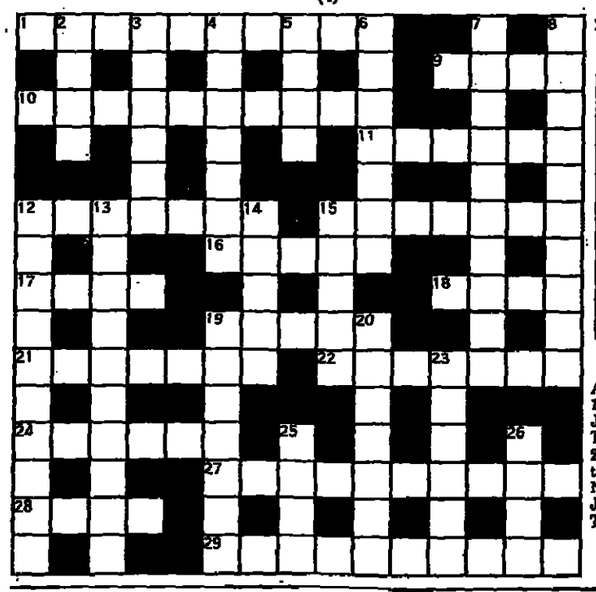

## CROSSWORD

**ACROSS**

1 Utter refutation of housing list request? (4,6)
9 Sound vision needed by city developer (4)
10 Understanding the purpose of a compass (10)
11 His business is stocking for sale (6)
12 Crosby upset about ageing but valuable writer (4,3)
15 "—— two worlds life hovers like a star" Byron's Don Juan (7)
16 Shrink from being in debt when in credit (5)
17 Bet... (4)
18 ...that turns eruptive in Sicily (4)
19 Soothsayer whose pronouncement is a bit of a bore (5)
21 Jinn gins (7)
22 Date-rum distilled and fully aged (7)
24 Fine wool from Bangor area (6)
27 Length of time in the middle (10)
28 They are served jellied, else stewed (4)
29 When waiters somehow presume tip (6,4)

**DOWN**

2 Expression used to attract attention (4)
3 Thanks to Shakespeare it was worn by knights (6)
4 It laces 'combinations' extensively (7)
5 Bloomer that takes in the pupil (4)
6 Maybe a match but not matching in depth of colour (7)
7 A double-six on a circular wedge identifies animal carver (10)
8 Counsel amplifying for a deaf witness (7,3)
12 Smoother mirror on the Mirror? (5-5)
13 Reprimanding, but not grounding a pilot (7,3)
14 Extra payment on entering bus (5)
15 Indian lady urging adherence (5)
19 A tax, as the saying goes, levied on the enemy (7)
20 End-of-term celebration calls for music that is... (7)
23 ...popularly optimistic (5)
25 Just, picture overturning vessels on the stove (4)
26 Soft butter needs pushing (4)



*Yesterday's Solution*

**QUICK SOLUTION**

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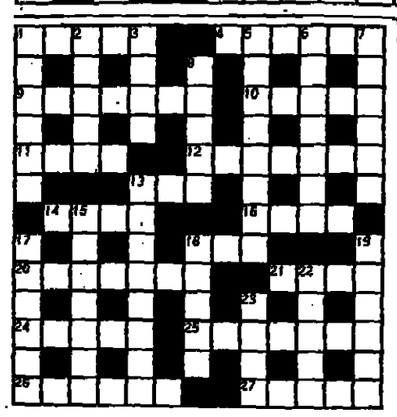

## QUICK CROSSWORD

**ACROSS**

1 Traverse (5)
4 Exhaled sadly (6)
9 Raise (7)
10 Practice (5)
11 Location (4)
12 Recording (7)
13 Prosecute (3)
14 Gasp (4)
16 Not any (4)
18 Suitable (3)
20 Martyred archbishop (7)
21 Fruit (4)
24 Vestige (5)
25 Kent resort (7)
26 Sport (6)
27 Wraith (5)

**DOWN**

1 Fold (6)
2 Unhidden (5)
3 Playwright (4)
5 Needy (8)
6 Caribbean islander (7)
7 Great flood (6)
8 A beauty (5)
13 Rush of cattle (8)
15 Syrian language (7)
17 Whisky (6)
18 Smell (5)
19 Turn down (6)
22 Insect's mature form (5)
23 Amphibian (4)

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# Capital loses Fashion Week to Tel Aviv

By GREER FAY CASHMAN

The Israel Export Institute, which traditionally holds the Israel Summer Fashion Week in Jerusalem, has moved this August's event to Tel Aviv. The reason for the switch is apparently the unrest in the territories and the capital, which has put a damper on tourism and the convention business.

Norman Rafelson, general manager of the Hyatt Hotel, where Fashion Week had been scheduled after several summers at the Laromme, said he was told that the security situation was the reason behind the move.

Senior officials in the Industry and Trade Ministry's textile and fashion division opposed the shift but were unable to influence the institute, whose argument was that that waning overseas attendance at Fashion Week over the past few years, would shrink even further if Jerusalem remained the site.

# Pratt & Whitney stays loyal to Beit Shemesh

By JUDY MALTZ

Officials at Pratt and Whitney, the American jet-engine giant that holds a 40 per cent stake in Beit Shemesh Engines, said yesterday they hav strongly urged the government to find a private investor for the company and were willing to work with "any group that will make this company work."

On Tuesday the ministerial committee reponsible for the company called on workers, management and the Treasury to come to an agreement over the planned dismissal of 260 Beit Shemesh workers within the next two weeks. According to the Government Corporations Authority, none of the six parties which have expressed interest in purchasing Beit Shemesh will begin to talk seriously until the company's workforce is pared down.

With regard to the planned dismissals, which workers have been protesting vehemently, Pratt and Whitney officials told *The Jerusalem Post*: "This is a government problem. They brought it upon themselves." The officials said they would be surprised if this issue was settled within the next two weeks.

The officials insisted that Beit Shemesh still has a viable future, even after the cancellation of the Lavi project, and has not lost its local and foreign markets.

According to the contract Pratt and Whitney signed with the government, it had the option to pull out of Beit Shemesh two years ago. Asked how long they were willing to wait for the government to find a private investor to take over its stake in the company, the officials responded: "We have as much patience as it takes Israel to make up its mind."

# Landlords lash out at Housing Minister Levy

BY LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV – Housing Minister David Levy hates landlords, representatives of the Landlords Association said at a press conference here on Monday.

Menahem Habibi, chairman of the Landlords Association's Tel Aviv Branch, said he and his colleagues have been trying to meet with the minister for the last seven years, but he never has time for them. "He apparently thinks supporting the tenants will get him more votes... His statement that the landlords are all banks and big concerns is cheap demagoguery."

He added that the landlords have suggested parity between the rents in private rent-controlled apartments (where some tenants now pay as little as one to three shekels a month per room) and apartments in government housing such as those provided by Amidar and Halamish. "We even agreed to exempt the poor tenants, and to let the minister set the criteria for who gets the exemption. He said no."

Yesterday saw Centre Party MK Amnon Rubinstein's bill to raise rents in rent-controlled business put back on the Knesset agenda for a preliminary reading. Nahman Lev-Goren, national executive director of the Landlords Association, said that the law would allow landlords to get a maximum of 37.5 per cent of the rent they could get on the open market. They would like more, he said, but would settle for this, since it represents a significant improvement. However, here again David Levy stands in their way, Lev-Goren said.

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### No change in 'Post' control

The chairman of the board of directors of *The Jerusalem Post*, Arye Gesa, said yesterday that the ownership of *The Jerusalem Post* which embraces two companies, Jerusalem Post Publications and The Palestine Post Ltd. has not changed.

Gesa was responding to press reports this week suggesting that a major block of shares in the firm had changed hands.

Earlier this year, a 10 per cent block of shares in The Palestine Post Ltd., held by Keren Hayesod, was sold to Bank Hapoalim's Trust Company Ltd.

### Farm output up

During the last agricultural year (October 1986 - September 1987), the volume of the country's farm produce grew 8 % to a total value of NIS 4.3 billion, after falling 1 % in the previous season, the Central Bureau of Statistics reported yesterday.

About 38 % of this produce went to the local market, slightly over 25 % was exported, and the rest was sold to industry and used as animal and plant feed.

While the prices for agricultural inputs and outputs rose last season 9 % and 10 % respectively, the Consumer Price Index during that period went up 20 %, the bureau pointed out.

The volume of the cotton crop fell 10 % and the vegetable crop dropped 4 %. No change was registered in the number of flowers grown.

Livestock production, accounting for 40 % of the total output, rose last season by 8 %, with the poultry branch expanding by 11 % and beef 4 %.

The value of the inputs purchased by the country's agricultural sector rose last season by 13 % to NIS 2.5 billion. Subtracting these inputs from the total output, net agricultural product last season increased 14.5 %, after falling 3 % in the previous season. Agricultural income rose 28 %, while wages in the sector went up 41 %. *(Judy Maltz)*

### Mizrahi wants more

United Mizrahi Bank yesterday confirmed reports that it has held preliminary negotiations with mutual fund managers of Bank Hapoalim, with a view to purchasing the block of Bank Tefahot shares held by funds in the Hapoalim group.

Mizrahi owns 85% of Tefahot, Israel's largest mortgage bank, and is apparently interested in acquiring the outstanding shares it does not yet hold. Hapoalim's funds hold approximately 10% of Tefahot's equity.

### Mortgage profits up

Leumi Mortgage Bank reported net profits of NIS 852,000 for the first quarter of 1988 – a rise of 178% over the same period last year. Pretax profits rose only 15% to NIS 1.96 million, a difference explained by the drop in the company's tax rate from 82% of gross profits to 56.5%. The bank's total assets rose fractionally to NIS 1.73 billion and its capital means gained 2% to NIS 32.5m.

### Paying too much tax

Uzi Steinberg, a leading accountant and chairman of the taxation committee of Lahav, the roof organisation of self-employed persons, has demanded from finance minister Moshe Nissim to reduce the amounts of advance income tax payments of self-employed persons by 10%. Steinberg claimed that the self-employed had not benefited from the 1987 tax reform.

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# Israeli rainmakers in southern Italy

By LISA PALMIERI-BILLIG

ROME – Israeli technology and expertise are being used in the Italian south, where the economy and morale have been hard hit by repeated droughts in recent years.

An Israeli team has been commissioned by the Puglia regional government for a pilot Italian-Israeli project to increase rainfall in the region. The Israelis will work alongside a team from Tecnagro, the Association for the Implentation of Technical Innovations in Agriculture.

Tecnagro administrates international projects in Italy and has already worked with Israel on irrigation problems for the past 10 years.

Regional government official General Abele Nania and Tecnagro's scientific expert, Dr. Massimo Bartolelli, told reporters here that an experiment conducted this past year, resulted in a 100 millimetre increase over the past 10 years average March rainfall around the Bari area.

In October and November, 1987, metereological information was recorded with the technical help of an Israeli manned and equipped cloud-piercing airplane. The clouds were then "seeded" with tiny crystals of iodized silver in March and April, 1988.

In explaining the procedure, the Italian experts had high praise for Israeli efficiency. "We are only trying to achieve what Israel has been doing for the past 25 years. Israel has accomplished a 20% increase in rain. We would be happy with 15%" said Bartolelli. He said that the official observer of the World Metereological Organization, Professor H. Koenig, had told the Italian-Israeli team in Bari, that "Israeli technology is the only one officially recognized and the only one that has produced results that can be measured with certainty."

Italy's hopes are, of course, to gradually replace the Israeli technical help by creating Italian equivalent structures. At the moment, Italy must rely on Israeli planes and radarmobiles, because it has no fixed radar stations in the area, nor planes suitable to flying in the midst of heavy clouds.

The regions of Sicily and Sardinia are working on similar projects with Israel, at present still in the experimental stage. "Israel was the first to have transferred experiments in this area to real service projects," said Nania.

Italy, now paying royalties to Israel, hopes to cut down expenses to an estimated annual $2 million to $3m.

Bartolelli rejected claims that artificially produced rain in one area would decrease natural rainfall in neighbouring research. "A timely U.S. report indicates," he said, "that Jordan and Syria have benefited from cloud-seeding in Israel, since clouds move on quickly and bring their rain to the neighbouring countries as well."

# Ligat textiles blame large losses on dollar's fall

By JUDY MALTZ
For The Jerusalem Post

Ligat, a member of the Polgat textile conglomerate, has reported an inflation-adjusted loss of NIS 4 million for 1987, after earning NIS 318,000 in the previous year.

The company's sales fell to NIS 24.1 m. from NIS 30.5 m. in 1986, due to a sharp fall in exports. The company said it had been badly hit by the dollar's depreciation as the U.S. market takes the bulk of its exports. In addition, Ligat was forced to write off the debt of one of its American customers last year.

In order to return to profitablity, the company said it had decided to stop exporting to the U.S. It insisted that its financial situation was still sound, with equity capital totalling NIS 6.2m. at the end of 1987, the equivalent of 53 per cent of its assets.

Ligat suffered a major blow several weeks ago when Phillips Van Heusen, the U.S. clothing manufacturer, informed the company it was cancelling a major long-term agreement, under which Ligat was to have supplied it with shirts produced in its Sderot-based factory. The American company had claimed the quality of Ligat's goods was not up to par.

The company said it hoped the reorganization and cost-cutting measures it was currently undertaking would reduce its losses this year.

# Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

## Selected Prices

| Name | Price | Volume NIS | % change |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Commercial Banks** (not part of arrangement) | | | |
| Maritime 0.1 | 1260 | 2350 | – |
| General non-arr. | 14200 | 27 | – |
| **Commercial Banks** (part of arrangement – 1988 series) | | | |
| IDB ord | 107110 | 229 | +0.3 |
| Union | 79430 | 36 | -0.4 |
| Discount A | 136350 | 119 | +0.1 |
| Mizrahi r | 43945 | 300 | – |
| Hapoalim r | 72871 | 781 | +0.5 |
| General A | 185150 | 29 | – |
| Leumi 100.0 | 46200 | 1225 | – |
| Fin. Trade 1 | 61200 | 8 | – |
| **Mortgage Banks & Finance** | | | |
| Leumi Mort. r | n.t. | n.t. | – |
| Dev. Mort. | 2330 | 1016 | – |
| Mishkan r | 3794 | 1200 | – |
| First Int'l Mort. | 7360 | 35 | +4.5 |
| Tefahot r | 25331 | 520 | – |
| Contractors | 2948 | 2387 | – |
| Clal Leasing 0.5 | 17899 | 5 | +1.2 |
| **Insurance** | | | |
| Reinsurance 5 | 187 | 2000 | +1.1 |
| Hadar 1 | 149.5 | 7089 | – |
| Phoenix 1 | 542 | 3100 | +4.8 |
| Hamishmar 1 | 5080 | 4 | +1.8 |
| Clal Insurance | 308 | 500 | – |
| Menorah 1 | 1454 | 100 | +0.3 |
| Sahar | 898 | 3876 | – |
| **Trade & Services** | | | |
| Intergama 1 | 800 | 550 | – |
| Meir Ezra | 510 | 2620 | – |
| Crystal | n.t. | n.t. | n.t. |
| Supersol A | 1097 | 640 | +3.3 |
| Assuta | 321 | 250 | – |
| Lighterage 1 | 427 | 280 | +0.9 |
| Cold Storage 1 | 525 | 893 | -1.9 |
| Bonded W'house 1 | 1101 | 56 | +2.2 |
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| Mehadrin | 5800 | 430 | +2.0 |
| Hadarim Prop. | 1455 | 237 | -1.0 |
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| Dubek r | 2200 | 759 | -2.2 |
| Tempo 1 | 25900 | – | – |
| Sunfrost | 16137 | – | – |
| Assis | 321 | 3872 | +0.9 |
| Adgar | 310 | 4500 | – |
| Argaman | 8555 | 67 | – |
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| Zikit 1 | 1625 | 320 | +2.5 |
| Eagle 1 | 312 | 1500 | +2.3 |
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| Polgat a | 730 | 640 | -0.5 |
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| Zion Cables 5 | 2296 | 20 | +1.5 |
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| Agan | 1657 | 1631 | – |
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| Gal Indus. 1 | 397 | 4000 | +3.7 |
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| Sano | 23400 | 60 | +2.2 |
| Periclase | 569 | 11218 | – |
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| Keter | 129.5 | 2292 | -1.1 |
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| Ta'al | 17660 | 56 | +1.7 |
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| Israel Corp. 5 | 2970 | 1497 | – |
| Mizrahi Invest. | 29783 | 25 | +2.0 |
| Pama 1 | 4859 | 30 | – |
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| Kardan 1 | 118 | 32955 | -1.7 |
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## Indices

| General Share | Two-Sided | General Bond |
|---|---|---|
| 98.28 | 90.20 | 108.50 |
| 0.58% | 1.85% | -0.16% |

## Share Movements

| Advances | Unchanged | Trading Halt | Declines |
|---|---|---|---|
| 205 (211) | 171 (165) | 42 (28) | 69 (83) |

## Statistics

### Stock Indices (Main List)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| General Share (excl argmt.) | 87.81 | +1.25 |
| Non-argmt. | 89.03 | +0.96 |
| Arrangement Banks | 105.60 | +0.18 |
| Mortgage Banks | 100.02 | +1.09 |
| Financial Inst. | 106.28 | +0.12 |
| Insurance | 88.03 | +1.25 |
| Commerce & Services | 78.18 | +1.37 |
| Real Estate & Agric. | 88.44 | +1.35 |
| Industrials | 87.22 | +1.00 |
| Food & Tobacco | 87.01 | +0.86 |
| Textiles | 76.99 | +0.25 |
| Metals | 85.26 | +0.42 |
| Electronics | 90.94 | +0.65 |
| Chemicals | 98.85 | +1.27 |
| Industrial Invest. | 75.34 | +0.80 |
| Investment Cos. | 87.95 | +2.01 |

### Stock Indices (Parallel List)

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| General Index | 81.52 | +1.20 |
| Commerce and Services | 73.43 | +0.31 |
| Real Estate | 88.49 | +1.89 |
| Industrials | 80.86 | +0.34 |
| Investment Cos. | 68.76 | +0.87 |
| Oil Exploration | 98.59 | +3.45 |

### Bond Indices

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Index-linked Bonds | 108.50 | +0.16 |
| Fully linked | 108.80 | +0.15 |
| Partially linked | 107.00 | +0.01 |
| Foreign Currency | 105.76 | +0.16 |
| FC denominated | 104.67 | +0.13 |
| FC linked | 106.26 | +0.17 |
| Short-term 0-2 yrs | 106.98 | -0.02 |
| Short-medium 2-5 yrs | 108.05 | +0.10 |
| Medium-long 5-7 yrs | 108.37 | +0.25 |
| Long-term 7+ yrs | 110.21 | +0.32 |

### Turnovers

| | |
|---|---|
| Total Shares | NIS 10,338,400 |
| Non-arrangement | NIS 8,129,600 |
| Two-sided | NIS 3,235,500 |
| Arrangement | NIS 2,208,800 |
| Bonds | NIS 10,439,600 |
| Treasury Bills | NIS 15,244,000 |

### Bond Market Trends

| | |
|---|---|
| Index-linked: | |
| 3% fully linked | Mixed to 1% |
| 4.25% fully linked | Rises to 1% |
| 80% linked | Some falls |
| Rimon | Slight rises |
| Gilboa | Rises to 1% |
| FC denominated | Rises to 1% |
| Non-government | Rises to 1% |
| T-bills | 14.70-17.30% |

### Arrangement Yields

| | |
|---|---|
| IDB ord. | 12.96% |
| Union 0.1 | 13.71% |
| Discount A | 13.55% |
| Mizrahi R. | 13.68% |
| Hapoalim R. | 12.63% |
| General A. | 13.17% |
| Leumi Stock | 13.12% |
| Fin. Trade 1 | 13.45% |

## Two-Sided Trading

| Name | Morning Price | Morning Volume Shares | Morning % Change | Afternoon Price | Afternoon Volume Shares | Afternoon % Change |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| First Internat'l | 6495 | 677 | – | 6534 | 2240 | +0.75 |
| Fibi | 7781 | 1296 | – | 7893 | 980 | +1.50 |
| Hasneh r | 155 | 75144 | +0.30 | 158.5 | 46000 | +2.50 |
| Shilton | 696 | 3280 | – | 703 | 8000 | +1.00 |
| Clal Trading | 381 | 2826 | – | 387 | 7000 | +1.50 |
| Supersol b | 984 | 6107 | – | 994 | 7800 | +1.00 |
| Delek r | 2008 | 4705 | – | 2033 | 3800 | +1.25 |
| Africa-Isr. 1.0 | 32287 | 116 | – | 32852 | 495 | +1.75 |
| Azorim | 858 | 2795 | +1.30 | 863 | 9900 | +2.50 |
| Prop. & Bldg. | 2783 | 973 | +0.80 | 2790 | 8330 | +1.00 |
| ILDC r | 65132 | 117 | – | 65783 | 49 | +1.00 |
| JEC | 305 | 9700 | – | 307 | 2000 | +0.50 |
| Clal R Estate | 646 | 1362 | +0.30 | 657 | 8400 | +2.00 |
| Elite | 12569 | 164 | – | 12747 | 80 | +1.50 |
| Polgat b | 575 | 1933 | – | 578 | 1300 | +0.50 |
| Is. Can Co. 0.1 | 3212 | 1600 | – | 3252 | 600 | +1.25 |
| Clal Electronics | 1998 | 243 | +1.50 | 1998 | – | +1.50 |
| Elron | 195241 | 19 | – | 197193 | 66 | +1.00 |
| Teva | 9062 | 625 | – | 9233 | 2700 | +2.00 |
| Dead Sea | 2339 | 3699 | +1.50 | 2362 | 6440 | +2.50 |
| Petrochem | 890 | 3619 | – | 903 | 17500 | +1.50 |
| AIPM | 238671 | 20 | – | 243444 | 81 | +2.00 |
| Clal Industries | 195.5 | 19567 | – | 198 | 94000 | +1.25 |
| IDB Develop. | 6905 | 1764 | – | 7078 | 3290 | +2.50 |
| Elbit | 874 | 3071 | +1.00 | 887 | 6500 | +2.50 |
| Israel Corp. | 3585 | 1221 | – | 3654 | 9460 | +2.50 |
| Hapoalim Invest. | 707 | 5717 | – | 721 | 4800 | +2.00 |
| Discount Invest. | 1937 | 3253 | – | 1966 | 6210 | +1.50 |
| Clal 1.0 | 1098 | 2849 | – | 1128 | 13200 | +2.75 |
| JOEL | 357 | 19961 | +2.60 | 347 | 22100 | +6.75 |

POSTAL AUTHORITY

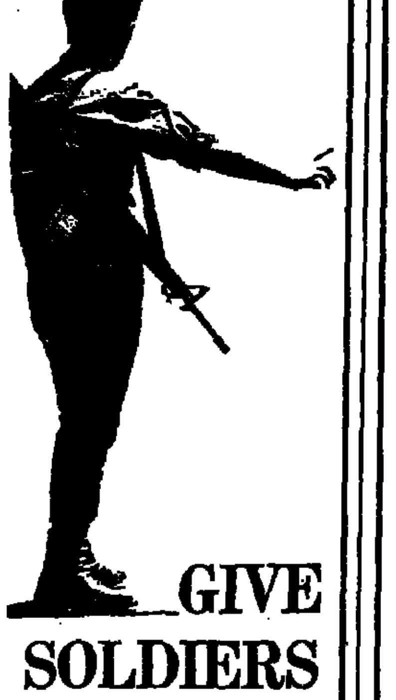
**New Postal Rates**

**New postal rates went into effect yesterday, May 4.**

***The new rates for the main postal services are given below:***

| | NIS |
|---|---|
| **Regular inland letter** (up to 20 g.) | 0.35 |
| Inland parcel (up to 3 kg.) | 4.00 |
| Overseas airmail letter (up to 10 g.) | |
| To Europe | 0.60 |
| To the USA | 0.70 |
| **Faximile transmission:** | |
| Inland | 3.00 |
| To Europe – first page | 13.00 |
| each additional page | 9.00 |
| To the USA – first page | 16.00 |
| each additional page | 11.00 |

**Details of the other changes in the tariff are available at post offices.**



GIVE SOLDIERS LIFTS

# Central bank changes tactics

By PINHAS LANDAU
Post Finance Reporter

The Bank of Israel yesterday announced that from next week it will boost the size of the weekly monetary tender to the commercial banks from NIS 250 million to NIS 400m.

Last week the central bank cancelled the tender altogether, and announced that for the rest of the month it would provide NIS 250m. per week. This was in the expectation that the banking system would be flush with funds for most of the month.

But the central bank has changed its tactics in the money market to accommodate the Treasury's desire to raise more money in the long-term bond market than it had originally planned to do this month.

The Treasury has apparently decided to take advantage of the high prices at which it can currently sell new issues in the bond market, and has instructed the Bank of Israel, its agent in the capital markets, to increase the size of its bond issues over the coming weeks.

The extra liquidity in the money markets is neccessary to head off any possible tightness that may be caused by the siphoning off of funds to the bond market, central bank officials explained.

# Israel Money Markets

### Shekel Deposits (annual rates)

| Bank Last Updated | Deposit Size | Pachak | 7 days | 14 days | 30 days |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Leumi (April 29) | 40-1,000 | – | 8.00 | 10.00 | 11.50 |
| | 1,001-10,000 | 10.00 | 11.00 | 11.00 | 12.75 |
| | 10,001-50,000 | 10.75 | 11.25 | 11.25 | 12.75 |
| | 50,001-100,000 | 11.00 | 11.50 | 11.50 | 13.00 |
| | 100,001-500,000 | 11.00 | 11.50 | 11.50 | 13.00 |
| Hapoalim (April 14) | Up to 9,999 | 9.00 | 10.75 | 10.75 | 11.75 |
| | 10,000-49,999 | 9.50 | 11.00 | 11.00 | 12.00 |
| | 50,000-99,999 | 9.75 | 11.25 | 11.25 | 12.25 |
| | 100,000+ | 10.00 | 11.50 | 11.50 | 12.50 |
| Discount (April 13) | 40-995 | 7.00 | 8.00 | 10.00 | 12.00 |
| | 1,000-9,995 | 10.00 | 12.00 | 12.00 | 13.00 |
| | 10,000-49,995 | 10.50 | 12.00 | 12.00 | 13.00 |
| | 50,000-99,995 | 11.00 | 12.50 | 12.50 | 13.00 |
| | 100,000+ | 11.00 | 12.50 | 13.00 | 13.00 |
| Mizrahi (April 28) | 40-2,000 | – | – | – | – |
| | 2,001-10,000 | 10.50 | 10.25 | 10.75 | 11.00 |
| | 10,001-50,000 | 10.75 | 10.50 | 11.00 | 11.50 |
| | 50,001-100,000 | 11.00 | 11.25 | 11.25 | 12.00 |
| | 100,001-250,000 | 11.50 | 11.75 | 11.50 | 12.75 |
| | 250,000+ | 11.50 | 12.00 | 11.75 | 12.75 |
| First Intl (May 4) | 50-999 | – | 9.91 | 9.91 | 11.04 |
| | 1,000-9,999 | 9.75 | 10.95 | 10.95 | 12.00 |
| | 10,000-49,999 | 10.50 | 11.47 | 11.47 | 12.60 |
| | 50,000-99,999 | 11.00 | 11.99 | 11.99 | 13.08 |
| | 100,000+ | 11.50 | 12.51 | 12.51 | 13.56 |

### Patah (foreign currency deposit rates) (May 5)

| Currency (min. deposit) | 3 MONTHS | 6 MONTHS | 12 MONTHS |
|---|---|---|---|
| U.S. dollar ($100,000) | 6.625 | 6.875 | 7.250 |
| Pound sterling (£100,000) | 6.875 | 7.125 | 7.625 |
| Deutschmark (DM 200,000) | 2.500 | 2.625 | 2.875 |
| Swiss franc (SF 200,000) | 1.375 | 1.375 | 1.625 |
| Yen (1 million yen) | NA | NA | NA |

SOURCE: BANK LEUMI. Rates vary according to size of deposit.

### Shekel Foreign Exchange Rates (May 4)

| | Cheques and Transfers Buy | Cheques and Transfers Sell | Banknotes Buy | Banknotes Sell | Rep. Rates |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Currency basket | 1.7060 | 1.7280 | – | – | 1.7190 |
| U.S. dollar | 1.5593 | 1.5787 | 1.53 | 1.60 | 1.5704 |
| Deutschmark | 0.9271 | 0.9386 | 0.91 | 0.95 | 0.9348 |
| Pound sterling | 2.9042 | 2.9403 | 2.84 | 2.97 | 2.9292 |
| French franc | 0.2732 | 0.2768 | 0.26 | 0.28 | 0.2749 |
| Japanese yen (100) | 1.2489 | 1.2645 | 1.23 | 1.28 | 1.2560 |
| Dutch florin | 0.8274 | 0.8377 | 0.81 | 0.85 | 0.8336 |
| Swiss franc | 1.1134 | 1.1272 | 1.09 | 1.14 | 1.1213 |
| Swedish krona | 0.2651 | 0.2684 | 0.26 | 0.27 | 0.2669 |
| Norwegian krone | 0.2526 | 0.2558 | 0.25 | 0.26 | 0.2544 |
| Danish krone | 0.2409 | 0.2439 | 0.24 | 0.25 | 0.2427 |
| Finnish mark | 0.3888 | 0.3936 | 0.38 | 0.40 | 0.3915 |
| Canadian dollar | 1.2595 | 1.2752 | 1.24 | 1.29 | 1.2706 |
| Australian dollar | 1.1944 | 1.2093 | 1.14 | 1.26 | 1.2066 |
| S. African rand | 0.7104 | 0.7192 | 0.46 | 0.55 | 0.7155 |
| Belgian franc (10) | 0.4409 | 0.4463 | 0.43 | 0.45 | 0.4468 |
| Austrian schilling (10) | 1.3200 | 1.3364 | 1.30 | 1.35 | 1.3298 |
| Italian lira (1000) | 1.2483 | 1.2639 | 1.22 | 1.29 | 1.2558 |
| Jordanian dinar | – | – | 4.29 | 4.56 | 4.5699 |
| Egyptian pound | – | – | 0.64 | 0.88 | 0.6871 |
| ECU | 1.9250 | 1.9489 | – | – | 1.9389 |
| Irish punt | 2.4762 | 7.5070 | 2.42 | 2.56 | 2.4942 |
| Spanish peseta (100) | 1.4060 | 1.4235 | 1.37 | 1.46 | 1.4165 |

SOURCE: BANK LEUMI.

# Foreign Markets

## EUROPEAN FINANCIAL MARKETS (May 4)

### Precious Metals

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Gold | London | a.m. fix | 441.95 |
| | London | p.m. fix | 443.25 |
| | Paris | noon | 437.56 |
| | Zurich | p.m. fix | 443.25 |
| Silver | London | Spot fix | 631.75 |
| Platinum | London | p.m. fix | 515.50 |

SOURCE: MARINE MIDLAND BANK

### Libor Rates

| | 1 month | 3 months | 6 months |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sterling | 7 15/16 | 8 7/16 | 8⅝ |
| Dollar | 7 1/16 | 7 5/16 | 7 9/16 |
| S-franc | 2¼ | 2⅜ | 2½ |
| D-mark | 3 5/16 | 3 9/16 | 3 11/16 |
| Yen | 3 13/16 | 4 1/16 | 4 3/16 |

### Foreign Currency Crossrates (London 15:30 GMT)

| Forward rates | Spot | 3 months | 6 months | 12 months |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pound sterling | 1.8645/55 | 53/48 | 117/111 | 230/220 |
| Deutschmark | 1.6790/98 | 164/159 | 324/319 | 646/636 |
| Swiss franc | 1.3967/07 | 180/176 | 353/343 | 690/685 |
| Dutch florin | 1.8822/32 | 155/151 | 308/303 | 639/625 |
| French franc | 5.7075/25 | 145/166 | 245/286 | 345/416 |
| Japanese yen | 124.87/97 | 108/103 | 217/207 | 435/416 |
| Italian lira | 1249.5/0.5 | 86/106 | 162/212 | 327/407 |
| Belgian franc | 35.10/15 | 15/11 | 30/23 | 64/49 |
| Canadian dollar | 1.2353/63 | 51/54 | 100/105 | 175/195 |
| ECU | 1.2347/62 | 28/33 | 61/66 | 140/150 |
| S. African rand | 2.1980/10 | 190/202 | 430/445 | 950/1000 |
| Austrian schilling | 11.80/81 | 11/9 | 21/18 | 42/36 |
| Swedish krona | 5.8830/60 | 440/480 | 760/830 | 1325/1450 |
| Norwegian krone | 6.1740/90 | 1025/1065 | 1925/2015 | 3575/3700 |
| Danish krone | 6.4680/30 | 340/410 | 610/740 | 1075/1325 |

### Share Indices

Commerzbank 60 stocks ........1355.3 +9.1   Financial Times 100 stocks ....1794.6 -12.0

## NEW YORK FINANCIAL MARKETS (May 4)

### U.S. Money Rates

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Prime rate | 8.50 % | Fed funds (late) | 6.25% |
| Broker loan | 7.75-8.00 | Long term bond | 97 20/32-21/32 |
| NY Euros (3 mos.) | 7 5/16-3/16 % | Discount rate | 6.00 % |

### New York Foreign Exchange

| | DMK | SFR | STG | YEN | CAN |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Latest | 1.6770/80 | 1.3970/80 | 1.8650/60 | 124.62/69 | 1.2355/60 |
| High | 1.6816 | 1.4025 | 1.8670 | 125.20 | 1.2381 |
| Low | 1.6750 | 1.3960 | 1.8605 | 124.55 | 1.2347 |

**Comment:**
The dollar rested in the lower portion of the day's narrow range, as trading slowed ahead of today's quarterly Treasury refunding announcement and Friday's April U.S. jobs data. The Australian dollar remained above 77.00 U.S. cents dealers read Fed chairman Greenspan's statement that it will take a long time to correct the U.S. trade gap as slightly negative.

### Precious Metals

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gold | Spot | 444.55 | Silver | Spot | 6.34 |
| | Prev close | 443.25 | | Prev close | 6.31 |

### Wall Street (late prices)

| Market Indices | | | NYSE Highest Volume | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| DJ Industrials | 2,036.31 | -22.05 | Union Carb | 23½ | - ⅛ |
| DJ Transport | 856.78 | + 1.94 | Zayre CP | 25 | +1½ |
| DJ Utils | 169.90 | - 2.13 | Navistar | 6⅝ | + ⅛ |
| 65 Stocks | 758.28 | - 5.67 | U S G CP | 46¼ | +1⅝ |
| NYSE Comp | 147.40 | - 1.17 | Wisconsin | 25 | + ⅛ |
| NYSE Inds | 179.71 | - 1.84 | Toys R US | 37⅛ | -1 |
| NASD Comp | 381.66 | - 0.57 | ATT | 26⅛ | - ¾ |
| S-P Comp | 260.46 | - 2.54 | Can-Pacif | 19⅛ | UNCH |
| Amex Index | 302.40 | - 0.82 | Ford Motor | 47⅞ | - ⅜ |
| NASD Inds | 393.96 | - 0.62 | Gen Elec | 40 | - ⅞ |

### Statistics

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| NYSE | Volume | 123,944,200 | NASDAQ | Volume | 131,061,800 May 3 |
| | Stocks up | 398 | | Stocks up | 1160 |
| | Stocks down | 819 | | Stocks down | 896 |

**Comment:**
Stocks fell to the lowest levels of the day in very light trading. Brokers said weak bonds and growing concern that Friday's employment data will imply higher inflation and interest rates sent many investors to the sidelines with the remainder biased to the sellside.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average fell 24 points to 2034. Declines led advances by a two to one margin on volume of only 116 million shares, threatening to be the lightest trading session of the year. Even divident trades, that have inflated volume in the past week, failed to provide noticeable volume today.

### Israeli Stocks Traded in New York

NYSE/Amex

| | Last | Prev. close | High | Low | Vol. ('00s) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Alliance | – | ½ | – | – | – |
| Am Isr Pap | – | 15⅛ | – | – | – |
| Ampal | 2 | 2⅛ | 2 | 2 | 77 |
| Carmel Cont | 5½ | 5½ | 5½ | 5½ | 2 |
| Elscint | 1¼ | 1⅛ | 1¼ | 1⅛ | 22 |
| Etz Lavud | 5¼ | 5⅜ | 5¼ | 5⅛ | 5 |
| Laser Inds | 6¼ | 6⅜ | 6¼ | 6⅛ | 88 |

Over-the-Counter

| | Last | Bid | Ask | | Last | Bid | Ask |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ampal | – | 5¼ | 6¼ | IDB Bank | – | 81 | 85 |
| Aryt | – | 1¾ | 2 | IIS | 3⅞ | 3⅞ | 4 |
| Bank Leumi | – | 26 | 28 | Interpharm | – | 3½ | 4¼ |
| Biotech Gen. | – | 4⅝ | 4⅞ | Optrotech | – | 5¾ | 6 |
| Elbit | 5½ | 4⅞ | 5⅛ | Oshap | – | 2⅝ | 3⅜ |
| Elde | – | 2 | 2⅛ | Rada | – | 1 | 1⅛ |
| ECI Tel. | 2⅞ | 2⅞ | 3 | Scitex | 4⅝ | 4⅝ | 4½ |
| Elron | 3 7/16 | 3 7/16 | 3½ | Taro Vit | – | 1½ | 1⅝ |
| Fibronics | 4½ | 4 | 4½ | Tevapharm | 6 11/16 | 6 11/16 | 6 13/16 |
| Galagraph | - | 1⅛ | 1⅝ | | | | |

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# The crux of the matter

A MINOR storm has erupted within the Labour Party over Chairman Shimon Peres's peace programme. Critics, mainly on the party's hawkish wing, have taken exception to what they describe as the cavalier junking of established Labour positions, without prior consultation with the party's elected bodies. Knesset Speaker Shlomo Hillel has singled out for reproof Mr. Peres's miserly treatment of the demand that, in any peace arrangement the Jordan river should remain Israel's security border, uncrossable by any foreign army.

Mr Hillel for one would like to see it explicitly stated that the Jewish settlements set up, at the party's own past initiative, in the Jordan Valley will never be removed, but will be part of Israel.

If Mr. Peres obliges, a Labour peace programme already stretched out to the limit rightward in the hope of pleasing as many voters as possible, will end up pleasing not very many; and will provide as likely a basis for negotiations as Herut's platform. This is odd. It makes little sense, of course, to underline Labour's differences with Herut merely for the sake of bringing out the party's distinctiveness. But it is no more sensible to try to assure voters that the differences between the two parties are really nothing to write home about, and that Labour is a perfectly safe haven for *all* those who say they care about peace.

Herut says it cares about peace. And Herut's "peace" message is simplicity itself. Peace, it says, will come when the Arabs reconcile themselves, as they must, to the fact that Eretz Yisrael in its entirety is the Jewish People's exclusive patrimony, and Israel's indispensable hedge against extinction at the hands of its enemies. Therefore, surrender a single square inch of the Land and everything, including the hope of peace, will be lost.

Hard-boiled realism, this, or a mindlessly reckless chase after a chimera ? That is the question. Are the occupied – or, as Herut and its allies to the right insist, liberated – territories, with their nearly a million and a half Palestinians, an inestimable asset to the Jewish state, or a dreadful burden and a threat except as bargaining chips in negotiations for secure and recognized boundaries ?

If Labour's political philosophy has any meaning, the answer would seem to be obvious.

Jews and Arabs are indeed destined to live together in the region. But not, as Herut insists, massively on land to which both Jews and Arabs lay claim. Living together is one thing, a shot-gun marriage is something else. In the circumstances, Israel's dominion over the Palestinians is infinitely more of a security danger than the transfer of the bulk of the territories to Arab rule. The only decent solution that would meet Israel's interests is an amicable divorce. The only alternative is the forcible transfer sooner or later of people, not land.

Interestingly, it is on this general understanding that two unsentimental and long politically neutral generals, Avigdor Ben-Gal and Ori Orr, have recently joined Labour. The reasons they gave for their decision were far more cogent than Mr. Peres's peace programme, in which the imperative of a measured pullback in the context of peace is buried under an avalanche of ultimative guarantees.

Earlier this week King Hussein seems to have delivered the *coup de grace* to the so-called Jordanian Option, by disavowing any intention to stand in for the PLO in bargaining over the future of the territories. The Israel right-wing's joy was unalloyed. Mr. Peres rightly commented, however, that what truly mattered was the *Israel* option for peace. That option means an end to territorial day-dreaming, or it means nothing.

And *that* is the crux of the matter. Attempts to evade it will not fool the electorate.

## POSTSCRIPT

**P.S.** BEYOND THE pale of the Great Wall in the hardrock badlands of northern China, a Chinese winemaker in Shacheng is seeking to produce a Western-style vintage that will find its way around the world: Great Wall wine, a medium-dry white produced mainly from the "longyan" or "dragon-eye" grape.

Last year the company exported 500 tons, with more than a third going to the U.S. This year Great Wall will ship 120,000 bottles to Japan and hopes to export a total of 600 tons, Deputy General Manager He Xiu said.

Great Wall began producing the medium white in 1978 and exporting its 13 varieties in 1984. Last year the company made a small profit of 200,000 yuan ($54,000) on production of 7,500 tons of wine. Only 1,000 tons of that was the medium-dry wine, however, with the rest consisting of mostly sweet, syrupy varieties for China's domestic market.

**P.S.** AFFLUENT Japanese consumers are fast developing a taste for bread from European-trained bakers.

Ten years ago, a typical Japanese breakfast meant a bowl of rice and a slice of grilled fish. Now, about 90 per cent of Japanese people eat toast for breakfast instead of rice, and bakeries with European-sounding names are sprouting up all over Tokyo.

According to the owner of a chic Tokyo bakery, "Japan spends $2.34m. a year on educating its people in baking techniques." That translates to about 3.1 per cent of the company's $62.5m. in sales last year.

**P.S.** INDIA could surpass China as the world's most populous nation in the not-too-distant future, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

India's population may surpass China's in less than 60 years, the bureau said in its new *World Population Profile: 1987*.

China now has 1,088,169,000 people, compared with India's 816,828,000. But India has a birth rate of 32 per 1,000 people, compared with just 20 per 1,000 in China, which has conducted an intensive birth-control campaign in recent years. Subtracting deaths, India's population is growing by 2.1 per cent annually, China's by only 1.3 per cent.

## ARMY LEAVES

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tory. The sources added that hundreds of Iranians are in the Beka'a to assist Hizbullah in creating an infrastructure in the south from which it can attack the IDF and the SLA.

The sources emphasized that Hizbullah is the only body outside Iran which carries out Teheran's policy.

Maidoun was deserted by its original inhabitants two years ago. Scores of Hizbullah gunmen operated out of the village, which served as a command and intelligence centre for several positions in the nearby hills.

All of Hizbullah's successful attacks against the SLA positions during the last year were coordinated by forces in the village, the military sources said.

The IDF and the SLA periodically shelled the village in recent months. Before Independence Day, nine Hizbullah gunmen were killed by IDF and SLA forces patrolling the area south of Maidoun.

## AMAL

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Hizbullah, All day long its radio station, broadcasting from somewhere in the Beka'a Valley, played martial music and Islamic songs. Senior clerics called on Moslems to unite in the holy month of Ramadan against the "Israeli aggressors."

Lebanese commentators speculated about a possible *rapprochement* between the rival Amal and Hizbullah movements following their battle against the common Israeli foe yesterday. Only last month, however, 70 were killed and 200 wounded in bitter clashes between the two groups.

# Into 'voluntary' exile

Susan Hattis Rolef

IN THE midst of all the unrest, the Civil Administration in the Gaza Strip has scored what it apparently views as a great success: it got the (Arab) director of mental health services in Gaza to resign by refusing to give him his *laissez-passer* to visit his wife and children in Great Britain unless he quit. Why the authorities have been trying to get rid of Dr. Eyad Al-Sarraj – the only fully qualified psychiatrist and neurologist in the Gaza Strip, and a man truly respected, and even loved by many people on both sides of the Green Line – and why they preferred to pressure him into resigning rather than to fire him, is a scandalous story in itself.

To date, the military authorities have failed to make any claim against him on grounds of security. However, what is more disturbing than the actual injustice done to a particular man who has no means of recourse in a Kafkaesque reality, or the loss inflicted on a highly troubled community in which the addresses to which one may turn for guidance and solace are few, is the attitude of the senior officials concerned. These are mostly military personnel, in or out of uniform, and their attitude is based on security considerations, usually mixed with overbearing prejudice, and short-sightedness.

I deliberately say "attitude" and not "policy" because there is no discernable policy on the political level which dictates how, why and to which end decisions are taken in cases such as that of Dr. Al-Sarraj – a man who constantly seeks meaningful professional and personal relations with Israel, based on equality, mutual respect and frankness, with the hope of satisfying not only his personal ambitions and inclinations, but of serving the Gaza community and some future peace settlement as well.

Security considerations dictate that one should do everything to get rid of anyone posing a threat to public peace and order, not to mention the lives and property of Israelis. However, the military men also consider proud Palestinians, especially the more educated ones, and those who refuse to turn the other cheek, as potential trouble-makers whose life should be made as difficult as possible.

The more such people decide to leave the country of their own free will, the happier the military authorities seem to be. It is really a sophisticated means of causing a voluntary transfer of the Palestinian elite, and no one on the political level says to them: "Wait a moment, this does not serve our political purposes."

In fact, the political level, whether from the Likud or Labour, is not totally aware of what is going on, and has no clear views on what the desired policy should be. Nor does anyone (except Kahane) seem to have figured out what sort of relations should exist between ourselves and the Palestinians *after* the occupier/occupied, colonialist/native relationship inevitably comes to an end. Most of our political leaders seem to believe that somehow we can avoid having any sort of normal decent relations with several million human beings who live in our midst or in our vicinity.

It follows that under the circumstances, no one in power has any notion as to how one should set about developing the future relationship to both Israel's and the Palestinians' benefit, or with whom one should start. We say no to the PLO, and no to all those who view themselves as Palestinian nationalists – even if they are not affiliated in a formal way to the PLO and openly declare their goal to be coexistence with Israel.

And so, the Civil Administration in Gaza can do its best to cow an exceptional man – one who has won the affection and respect of such men as orientalist Professor Shimon Shamir of Tel Aviv University, and psychologist Professor Rafael Moses of the Hebrew University – into resigning his post with the hope that he will decide to go into exile of his own "free will," and no one on the political level gives a damn.

In fact, the previous head of the Civil Administration in Gaza, Tat-Aluf Shaike Erez, bet me last autumn that Dr. Al-Sarraj would leave the country. The prospect seemed to intrigue him, especially since he appeared to believe that the PLO would fix Dr. Al-Sarraj up with a job in London (pure fiction). That Gaza might be left without its only fully trained psychiatrist didn't seem to matter. Dr. Al-Sarraj will be back.

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# Putting off the day

Macabee Dean

IT WOULD be highly beneficial to postpone the elections – scheduled for this November – for a year or two, but no more.

Democratic elections are aimed at "feeling the public pulse," i.e., they should allow voters to choose policies, and representatives they think most capable of implementing them.

This is the first reason to delay elections. Although voters can vote for specific policies, they cannot vote for those persons they want to represent them and to implement these polices.

Attempts to introduce a direct representation system have failed dismally in the past, despite campaigns by civic-minded citizens; however, this is no reason to give up and continue the system of forced representation by unknown party functionaries whose main qualification is their ability to toe the party line. Many will disappear from public view soon after taking their oath in the Knesset. (On second thought, this might be a blessing in disguise.)

The political parties could institute direct elections within a short time in today's electronic age – if they wanted to. A voter in the polling booth would press a button to indicate the party list he prefers and then note the candidate of his choice by pressing another button. Candidates with excess votes could transfer them to another candidate. If introducing this system seems to present insoluble engineering difficulties, perhaps Mifal Hapayis can come to the rescue, for it has worked out an electronic method for its Lotto lottery.

If this suggestion for direct elections is turned down – as it probably will be, for political leaders want to hand-pick their favourites – a novel method of instituting a sort of direct representation can be tried.

Concerned citizens should select any MK as their personal representative, and write and tell him that they hold him personally responsible for his party – and your vote at the next elections. And they should shower him with letters (and phone calls if he will accept them) criticizing and praising him for his acts of commission and omission. The MK will become a direct representative by the force of circumstances.

THE SECOND main reason to postpone elections is that the results will change only slightly. Apparently, there will be no upheaval at the polls, as in 1977.

According to various public opinion polls – which are quite accurate in showing trends, even if they are less accurate in predicting exact results – the elections will sharpen today's political "polarization." The leftist parties will take several Knesset seats from Labour; the rightist parties will inflict the same punishment on the Likud.

The country will be left with three main choices: The Alignment or the Likud could set up a narrow coalition with leftist or rightist parties respectively; or something similar to the present national unity government could emerge, with the Alignment and Likud being equal partners.

The only thing that apparently might break this balance and give one major party an edge is to raise the minimum percentage needed for parties to be represented in the Knesset. This might convince many small-party adherents to vote for a major party. The minimum vote should be slightly more than the polls show Kahane will get.

But there is one unpredictable factor – the actions of Finance Minister Moshe Nissim – which must be considered. Until now, every finance minister has given an electoral boost to his own party by loosening the national purse strings. Will Nissim do this? He has been quite miserly in dealing with the health system.

But can he do it? Will the Alignment let him, i.e., let the Likud take credit for creating a false feeling of prosperity?

If the Alignment and Likud, as equal partners, could agree to keep the costs of the next election to a bare minimum in terms of time, labour, energy, frayed nerves, tranquillizers and money, this could be the cheapest national election in Israel's history.

But it will certainly be one of the most expensive ones at the local authority level. Here, there are no coalitions of two parties of equal strength, and election fever – and election spending – is already well advanced.

In Ramat Gan, for example, perfectly serviceable (if plain) pavements of large concrete "tiles" are being torn up to be replaced by equally serviceable (and admittedly much more pleasant looking) coloured brick ones. And work is going ahead rapidly on many roads. Rehov Yarden has been widened and repaved. Formerly pedestrians had to cross this thoroughfare with caution; now they jeopardize their lives since the improved street makes speeding easier.

Worse, municipal projects which should be carried out are being ignored. For example, the wadi separating Ramat Gan from Givatayim could be turned into a beautiful if narrow park, excellent for joggers and cyclists – if the municipality would decide to clean up the trash that has accumulated during years. But few voters live close to this wadi; cleaning it up will not bring in as many votes as replacing functional pavements with nicer-looking ones.

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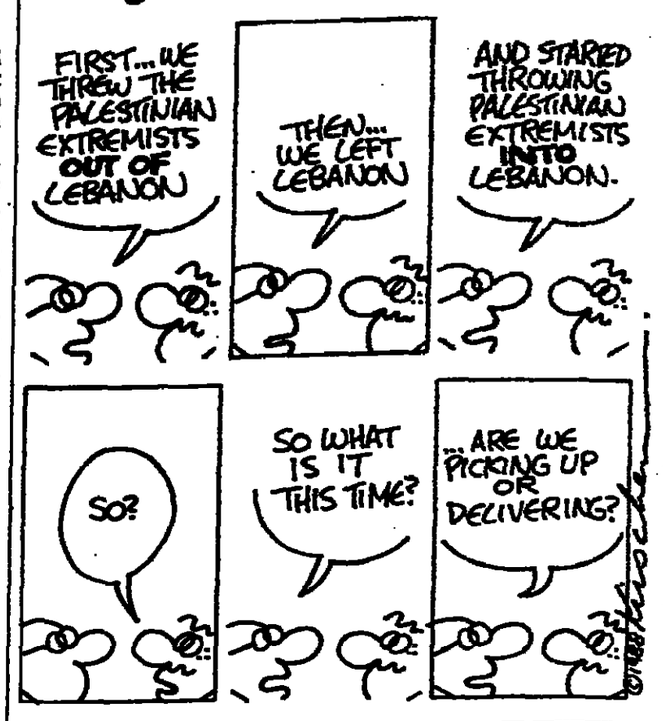


## READERS' LETTERS

### MIND-BOGGLING

*To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post*

Sir, – Professor Ricci (April 19) asserts that referring to the "West Bank" as Judea and Samaria renders its 850,000 Arab inhabitants "invisible"; that it is tantamount to imagining the place "as it was before the Arabs arrived a thousand years ago."

It boggles the mind that a professor of political science at the Hebrew University seems not to know that "West Bank" is a 40-year-old imperialistic Jordanian appellation coined to signify the annexation of the areas to the Hashemite kingdom, and that during "the thousand years of Arab presence," the areas were called – you guessed it – Judea and Samaria. A quick peek at 19th century maps and encyclopedias will verify that.

To buttress his thesis of Arab "invisibility" in our eyes he compares, with appalling simplism, the national clash here with the racial conflict in America. As an example of our "racism," he cites the fact that no one in his building has bothered to visit their Arab gardener at his village home, while he – good chap that he is – has done so many times. I should like to assure Professor Ricci that even though my gardener is an Israeli Jew, I have absolutely no intention of visiting his home since I have nothing in common with him, either socially or intellectually. This kind of pious, patronizing paternalism went out with the Sixties even among the chronically bending-over-backwards liberals of New York. Professor Ricci must be a throw-back.

*BEVERLY STEELE*

Jerusalem.

Sir, – David Ricci accuses us of not seeing the Palestinians, of looking right through them. And he compares them to the American blacks who were not seen by their white oppressors. He cites the case of the grief expressed by the settlers over the death of one Jewish girl and warns us of the negative feelings generated in the residents of the territories over the death of over 100 Arabs in the last four months.

Mr. Ricci has fallen into the trap laid by our enemies and therefore does not notice that he begs several important questions before he issues his judgments against us.

It is not we who do not see the Palestinians, but he who prefers to ignore their repeated statements that this is one land, to be settled by one people, and it will be their people, not ours.

The American blacks were dragged by the whites from Africa and enslaved. We did not drag the Palestinians to the West Bank. We did not even ask them to leave before 1967. We did not even ask the Arabs of Israel to leave. It is American blacks and Jesse Jackson who compare us to the white masters of the American South and South Africa.

Whether the girl was shot by a Jewish guard or by Arabs, in any case, she did not throw rocks at Arabs, or attack their presence. The "martyrs" among the Palestinians were not innocent bystanders, but active, violent, threatening rioters, who would have been given the same or worse treatment by the American police of any large American city under similar circumstances.

Talk about excessive force, if you must. Argue that the technique of riot control is not sophisticated enough. But do not compare us to those who refuse to see the "invisible man." It is the Arab world who refuse to "see" and recognize Israel. Do not call us slave-holders. And do not talk about human rights.

*JACOB CHINITZ*

Jerusalem.

Sir, – David Ricci's attempt to compare the social history of America's blacks and whites with that of Israel's Arabs and Jews was a very awkward and deceiving comparison.

Black Americans have never called for the destruction of the United States of America, nor even wished for it in their wildest dreams. They have not demanded that the nation's capital, Washington, D.C., be divided into East and West, Black and White rule. Such examples, differentiating our two worlds, are endless.

Let us put things in proper perspective. Mr. Ricci knows better about the nationalistic ambitions of the Palestinians in Judea, Samaria, the Galilee, Jaffa, Acre, Jordan and throughout its world diaspora. No, Mr. Ricci, the Palestinian in our land is not an "invisible man." He is vividly seen and heard and his message is well understood.

*YEHUDI WEININGER*

Ra'anana.

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